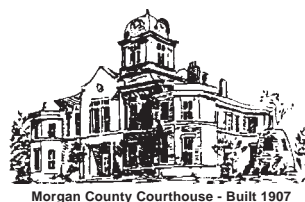


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HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS



A Christmas tradition

The Manger Scene on the Courthouse lawn, sponsored by the West Liberty Kiwanis Club, has been a tradition in downtown West Liberty for as long as many can remember. The lighted creche, overlooked by the clock tower of the county's 100-year-old Courthouse, is an enduring symbol of the solid God-fearing character of Morgan Countians and their forbearer who settled here before the wilderness was tamed and of the time-honored and proven traditions that continue to sustain them. Again, on this holiest of Christian holidays, we at The Licking Valley Courier, extend to everyone everywhere our most sincere wishes for a joyous Christmas celebration.

Public dumpsters not for household garbage

The City of West Liberty has issued a warning to everyone that the trash dumpsters located at the Old Mill Park, the Kiwanis Swimming Pool, the Kiwanis Ball Park, the roadside park on Index Hill and in the rear parking lot at City Hall are not for dumping household garbage. Individuals who deposit their household trash in those dumpsters risk being charged with theft of services.

County Clerk's Office lists holiday schedule

The Morgan County Clerk's Office will be closed Dec. 24 for Christmas and will reopen Monday, Dec. 29. The office will be open Dec. 29-31 and will close at noon on Dec. 31 for the New Year holiday and reopen on Monday Jan. 5, 2009, at 8:00 a.m.

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MSU at West Liberty to administer ACT Tuesday, Jan. 6th

MSU at West Liberty will be giving the ACT residual test on Tuesday, Jan. 6., at 8:30 a.m. at the campus in West Liberty. The cost is \$50.00. Anyone wanting to take the test needs to bring the following items with them:

1. Payment for the test.
2. A photo ID such as a driver's license.
3. A scientific calculator, which can be used in taking the test.

Results from the test will be available that afternoon.

The MSU at West Liberty building and office will be closed during the holidays and will reopen Monday, Jan. 5, at 8:00 a.m. Questions and additional information will be available at that time by calling 743-1500.

MONDAY DEADLINE

News items and advertising submitted for publication in The Licking Valley Courier should be submitted by Friday of the preceding week and must be in our office before noon on Monday.



Gifts for needy youngsters

The annual Morgan County Christmas event was held Friday, Dec. 19, to provide Christmas gifts for needy children throughout the county. The gift giveaway was a collaborative effort of the Youth Services Centers at county schools, the local Red Cross chapter and several local businesses. Local UNITE Chairperson Sharon Sharp, who is also involved with the Morgan County Christmas program, said she was extremely pleased with the community involvement in the project. Sharp and Judge Executive Tim Conley extend thanks to all businesses and volunteers who helped make Christmas a bit brighter for many Morgan County children this year.

Morgan's Child Support Office ranked best in state

FRANKFORT, Ky., Dec. 18 — The Kentucky Cabinet for Health and Family Services (CHFS) has announced the state's top-performing child support contracting officials. Morgan County's child support enforcement program, headed by County Attorney Steve O'Connor, was ranked as best in the state.

The winners were announced at the Child Support Conference in Lexington earlier this fall. Sponsored by the CHFS Child Support Enforcement Program (CSE), it was the first such conference in 10 years.

The CSE, part of the CHFS Department for Income Support (DIS), administers child support enforcement jointly with local contracting officials for all 120 counties.

"Our child support contractors are working hard for the families of their communities," DIS Deputy Commissioner Steve Veno said. "In every county, and by working closely with child support enforcement staff, they continue to improve services so the children they serve get the financial support to which they are entitled."

Contracting officials are ranked based on their paternity establishments, the establishment of child support orders, child support collections and arrearage (past-due) collections.

The top 10 performers for the 2007-08 fiscal year, in order of performance rankings, are as follows:

Morgan County, County Attorney Steve O'Connor
Green County, County Attorney Russ Goff
Allen County, County Attorney William Haggenbuch Jr.
Adair County, County Attorney Jennifer Hutchison-Corbin

Livingston County, County Attorney Billy N. Riley

Butler County, County Attorney Richard Deye

Oldham County, County Attorney John R. Fendley

Bell County, County Attorney Neil Ward

Trigg County, County Attorney H.B. Quinn

Larue County, County Attorney Dale M. Morris

Businesses say Thanks



Included in this week's edition are holiday greetings cards from

local and area businesses. Look them over. This method of expressing their best wishes to everyone is a tradition with local business and professional people at Christmas time and is their way of saying thank you to their customers and clients for their patronage during the past year.

Master Grazer Program offered

The Morgan, Montgomery, Menifee and Bath County Extension Offices are combining efforts to offer a Gateway Master Grazer program. The program consists of two four-hour educational sessions and one on-farm demonstration focusing on managing your farm to optimize and extend its grazing potential to decrease the need for stored hay and feed.

Dates are as follows:

• Session one: 5-9 p.m. Jan. 13, Bath County Extension Office. Topic: Plant Factors.

• Session two: 5-9 p.m. Jan. 26, Bath County Extension Office. Topic: Animal Factors.

• Session three: Date, time and location to be announced. Topic: On-Farm Demo.

Session topics will include Plant Factors: Improved Grazing, Why Rotational Graze, Decision Aids, Forages, Getting the Most Out of Grazing Season, Growth of Grasses and Legumes, Establishment of Forages, Choosing the Right Varieties and Weed Control.

Other topic will include Animal Factors: Nutritional Needs, Value of Shade and Water, Managing Grazing System, Effects of Endophyte-Infected Fescue, Minerals for Grazing Livestock, Parasite Control and Rotational Grazing, Animal Disorders and Supplementation.

The registration fee for the Gateway Master Cattleman Program is \$30 per participant. This fee include three meals and the course materials. The first five participants to register in Morgan County will receive FREE registration. Van transportation from the office ill also be made available.

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Christmas Past

By Louise Long

The hustle and bustle of the Christmas season is on, came on with a bang. I say, "Wouldn't you like to grab that fast horse (or reindeer) by the reins and holler, whoa, Nellie, whoa."

On CNN they were talking about the housing tragedy how it would affect Americans at Christmas. One lady said she told her three children to make a list of three toys or games. In years past they received ten. Have you seen the likes of people on the food bank lists and toy give away list.

Our granddaughter had a room including a large closet full of toys and stuff. Our great grandson, Andrew, has toys runneth over at home, and at both grandparents. She has asked us to quit buying him clothes, she has no closet, dresser, or chest to put them in. He has clothes to do him until he is age five or maybe six. Of course they were an only child, not 12 children like we were.

My first Christmases I have no memory of. I know when we moved to the Calaboose I was five months old. When I was five years old, the tobacco had sold, and daddy bought some fruit and candy for us. Also, at

Fred Terrill's Store, he bought Helen and me a flannel shirt each and a pair of overalls; and two dolls. We were very happy with our dolls. However, in the Spring we left them out in the pasture field where we played. The skin on the dolls were made of rubber material which was stuffed with minced cotton. After a night's rain the dolls were not in very good condition. We had dolls made of corn shucks and dolls made of sticks of stove wood, that we made clothes for from rag scraps. I remember us all sewing one day, and my sister, Helen, said we're running out of thread. So, to keep from running out of thread, I made very large stitches to go farther with my thread.

I can remember Christmases with hen and dumplings, a cake or fried chicken. In the later years mom sent a brother to Steve Rose's Store, and had him to deliver a box of oranges, bananas, and apples; and some candy and a cake for Christmas. Our brother, Dewey and wife Barbara in Michigan always sent through the mail a large box of chocolate candy, and like Forrest Gump said, "You never know what you'll get in a box of chocolates." Mom always kept the candy stored in a chest and the fruit under dad's bed.

So, these were some of our Christmases down in the holler on Calaboose Road.

'Twas THE NIGHT BEFORE JESUS CAME

"Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house not a creature was praying, not one in the house. Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care in hope that Jesus would not come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed, not once ever kneeling or bowing a head, and mom in her rocker with baby on her lap was watching the late show while I took a nap. When out of the East there arose such a clatter, I sprung to my feet to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a flash, tore open the shutters and threw up the sash. When what to my wondering eyes should appear, but angels proclaiming that Jesus was here. With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray. I knew in a moment this must be the day.

The light of His face made me cover my head. It was Jesus returning just like He had said. And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth, I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself. In the book of life which He held in His hand was written the name of every saved man. He spoke not a word as He searched for my name. When He said, "Its not here" my head hung in shame. The people whose names had been written with love He gathered to take to His Father above. With those who were ready He rose without a sound while all the rest were left standing around. I fell to my knees, but it was too late. i had waited too long and thus sealed my fate. I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight. Oh, if only I had been ready tonight. in the words of this poem the meaning is clear; the coming of Jesus is drawing near. There's

only one life and when comes the last call we'll find that the Bible was true after all.

Submitted by Alpha Clevenger--This poem was given to me by a very dear friend of mine, Emma Jean Bach, a long time ago, and this poem is in loving memory of her. She was a favorite and a very special friend of mine and I treasure her memory. I would like to wish a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year to any of her family, and may God bless each one of you.

WORDS OF WISDOM

My riches consist not in the extent of my possessions, but in the fewness of my wants.

— J. Brotherton

TAKE TIME

Take time to think; it is the source of power.
Take time to play; it is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read; it is the fountain of wisdom.
Take time to pray; it is the greatest power on earth.
Take time to love and be loved; it is a God-given privilege.
Take time to be friendly; it is the road to happiness.
Take time to laugh, it is the music of the soul.
Take time to give; it is too short a day to be selfish.
Take time to work; it is the price of success.
Take time to do charity; it is the key to Heaven.

(Submitted by Carol Finch Adkins)

Merry Christmas!

Glad Tidings To You!

Here's hoping your season is brimming with peace and joy and good surprises, too. Happy Holidays and lots of thanks!

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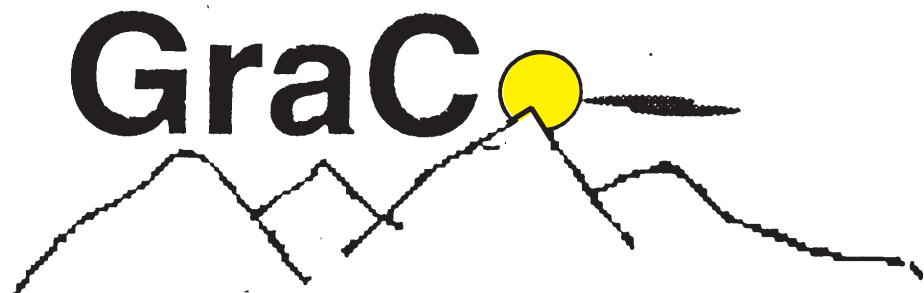
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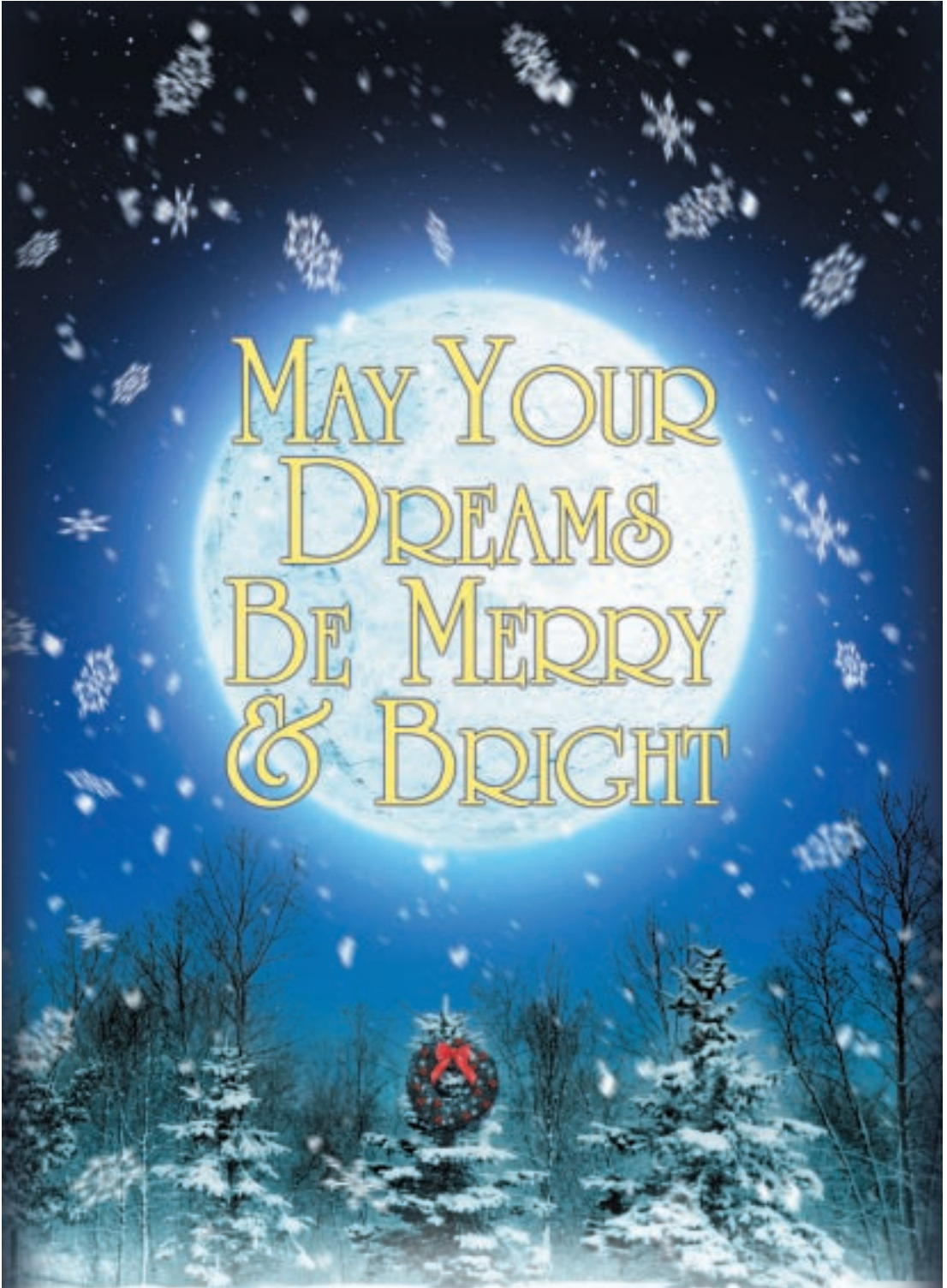
Yuletide Greetings

*At the miracle of His holy birth,
We pray for hope and peace on earth;
And we ask for His good graces, too
That we may share with all of you
The message of that first Christmas Day
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Nickell, Johnson wedding vows to be spoken Jan. 1



Jonathan Scott Johnson and Amy Danielle Keeton Nickell

Mr. Austin Tyler Townsend, age 12, and Ms. Brooklyn Taylor Nickell, age 7, would like to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their mother, Amy Danielle (Keeton) Nickell, 29, to Jonathan Scott Johnson, 24.

Amy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Danny and Marilyn Keeton, of West Liberty. Jonathan is the son of Mr. and

Mrs. Johnny and Wilma Johnson, of Hazel Green.

Jonathan and Amy are both currently employed at E.K.C.C. as correctional officers.

The ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. on Thursday, January 1, 2009, at Bethany Baptist Church, on War Creek Road, with Pastor Jeremy Jenkins officiating. All family and friends are welcome to attend.

Weblink listed for Crase's game in the Alamo Dome

Following is the link for the webcast which will carry Walker Crase's U.S. Army All-American Bowl game in the Alamo Dome.

The game will be Sunday, January 4, from 3:00-5:00 p.m., San Antonio time. Many have asked for this information.

HYPERLINK "http://www.footballuniversity.org" or "b l o c k e d : : h t t p : / / www.footballuniversity.org/" www.footballuniversity.org.

A Note Of Thanks To Our Customers & Friends

As another year comes to a finale, we'd like to offer a chorus of thanks to all the individuals customers, neighbors and friends who have made this year a noteworthy one for us.

With best wishes for a merry and bright holiday season from all of us.

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Middle School Football honored at Board meeting

The Morgan County Board of Education honored the Morgan County Middle School football team with a reception during the regular monthly board meeting on December 8. Coach Turner highlighted the exciting 2008 football season and the program as a whole.

Events of the season included: the team won three separate bowl championships; the seventh and eighth grade teams won their conference championships; the seventh grade team finished in the KYMSFA State Quarterfinals with a record of 9-2, and the eighth grade team finished in the KYMSFA State Semifinals with a record of 16-1. Coach Turner was very proud to announce the outstanding accomplishment of Walker Crase. He was selected to participate in the All-State and All-American teams at the FBU All-American Bowl at the Alamo Dome in San Antonio, Texas, in January 2009.

Coach Turner added that none of his players had received any major disciplinary action during the entire four-month season and that 63% of the team was on the academic honor roll at the end of the first nine week grading period.

Bonny

By Faye Ferguson

Dec. 17--Hi everyone. Hope everyone is feeling good and keeps warm.

We visited my sister in Ohio last week. She is doing good according to her age.

I talked to Dorman on the phone. He is doing good and going to church on the weekends.

I would like to say hi to Darrell and Wanda Williams, of Ezel, who takes care of church up at Johnny Davis'. They are doing a real good job.

Also want to say hi to Johnny and Allene Davis and wish them a Merry Christmas. They are such good people. I love being with them.

We had a telephone call from Virgil's brother's wife, Mildred, from Bardstown, Ky. She keeps us informed about Charlie, who is real sick and had his left leg amputated. He is not doing any good at all. May God bless and be with you all. Remember, God loves you and we love you all, too.

We went to Lee City Church last Sunday night. Had good services. There are real good people up there. It was so good to be able to get out and be in service with our brothers and sisters, and fellowship one with another. That is what God wants... let us love one another and let people love you. Be good to one another.

We will soon be in 2009, hat we have done for the Lord only will last.

I'd like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May God bless everyone.

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By Estelle Caskey

Dec. 22--We were very saddened to hear of the passing of our dear friends, Ruthie Clevenger Lowe and Christine Clevenger. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Lowe and Clevenger families and to all others who have lost loved ones.

Mr. and Mrs. Jearld Ferguson and Joanie Cantrell visited one day last week with Ruth Litsakos in Lexington.

Estelle and Louise Caskey had business in Louisville last Thursday and spent the night with Linda Paschal, in Shelbyville.

Sgt. Major Johnson and daughter, Brooke, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, are visiting through the holidays with Mrs. Julia Johnson and Mrs. Imajean McGuire.

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Barker hosted a pre-Christmas dinner at their home on Saturday afternnon for the following family members and friends: Mrs.

Alice Smith, Janice Bates and daughter, Jessie, Guy Barker, of Houston, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Shawn Vance, of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Barker and daughter, Kelli, of Enon, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. Andy Spencer, of Columbus, Ohio. On Sunday, Dallas and Mae hosted a pre-Christmas dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Adams and son, Jacob, and girlfriend, of Burlington, Ky.

Mrs. Bernice Johnson and Mrs. Patty Shoop, of Dayton, Ohio, spent last weekend here visiting with relatives including Mrs. Julia Johnson and Mrs. Imojean McGuire.

Ollie Riggsby, Jr., who was recently a patient in a Lexington hospital, has returned home and is reportedly feeling much better.

Arthur Robert Johnson is reportedly feeling better after spending a few days in a Lexington hospital.

Household Hints

- Have your heating system serviced before winter.
- Never use an electric light on a metallic tree as the tree could

become charged with electricity and cause a fire.

- To close air leaks around doors or windows seal them with weather stripping.
- To remove wax buildup and restore shine on vinyl or tile floors mop the floor with club soda.
- Open curtains during day to allow sunlight to heat your home and close at night to reduce the chill.

West Liberty Ch. of God Christmas play Dec. 31

Back by popular demand! West Liberty Church of God invites everyone to "The Miracle of Jesus: From The Manger, To The Cross, To Eternity", on Wednesday, Dec. 31, at 6 p.m. The church is located at 568 Glenn Avenue, West Liberty. this is not your usual Christmas play.

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Season Your Holiday With Safety



Decorating the home for the holiday season is a great tradition, but an essential part of stringing the lights and putting up the tree is keeping an eye on electrical safety. Here are simple steps that everyone can take to ensure a safe and happy holiday season.

- ✓ Use an artificial tree that has a fire resistant label.
- ✓ Keep a real tree away from fireplaces and radiators. Fill the stand with water daily.
- ✓ Don't close doors or windows on extension cords. That can damage the insulation.
- ✓ Use hooks or insulated staples (not tacks or nails) to hold up outdoor lights.
- ✓ Turn off lights when you go to bed or leave the house.

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Christmas History

The most joyous day in Christian history is closely connected to ancient rituals. In fact, mid-winter holidays have been celebrated since long before the birth of Christ.

In Scandinavia, the Norse cel-

ebrated Yule from Dec. 21, which is the winter solstice, through January. Winter solstice was an important holiday for ancient people, who believed the sun was a god. The Egyptians, early Romans and Celts all celebrated

winter solstice. The Druids, the priests of the ancient Celts, decorated their temples with evergreen boughs, as did the Romans.

Christmas, which was once celebrated on Jan. 6, was moved to Dec. 25 in 354 A.D. Dec. 25 was also historically significant to the ancients. The Phrygian and Persian sun gods were born on that date, according to ancient history.

Germany created the Christmas tree in the 16th century when Christians bought decorated trees into their homes. German introduce the tradition to Americas. The first American Christmas tree of record was decorated with homemade ornaments, apples, nut and marzipan cookies in the 1830s by German settlers in Pennsylvania.

While Europeans preferred small trees about four feet in height, Americans opted for tow-

ering trees that reached from floor to ceiling.

The first eggnog made in the United States was concocted in the Jamestown, Va., settlement, according to the writings of Captain John Smith. Nog is derived from the word "grog," which refers to any drink made with rum.

Santa Claus

St. Nicholas is believed to have been a monk born in modern-day Turkey in 280 A.D. Many legends surround St. Nicholas, who was revered for his kindness and purity. It is believed that St. Nick traveled the countryside dispersing his inherited wealth to the needy. Other legends say that he provided dowries for three sisters, thereby saving them from being sold into slavery by their father.

Over the centuries, St. Nicholas legends sprouted and took hold. He became the protector of children and sailors. The day of his death, Dec. 6, is considered a lucky day to make big purchases or get married. Children receive gifts on Dec. 6 in many countries. In Germany, children are gifted candy.

Modern day Christmas is a blend of ancient festivities and symbols that heralded the winter solstice, melded with Christianity and Christian legends. One aspect of the winter holiday has remained consistent through the millennia: Christmas is a time for expressing gratitude and sharing the bounty of blessings we have been given.

may

slip from your hand;
There is something better than having;

We are richer for what we give;

And only by giving we live.

Your last year's presents are

scattered and gone;

You have almost forgot who

gave them;

But the loving thought you

bestow live on

As long as you choose to

have them.

Love, love is your riches,

though ever so poor;

No money can buy that treasure;

yours always, from robber

and rust secure,

Your own without stint or

measure,

It is only love that we can give;

It is only by loving that we

live.

For who is it smiles through

the Christmas morn—

The Light of the wide crea-

tion?

A dear little child in a stable

born,

whose love is the world's

salvation.

He was poor on earth, but he

gave us all

That can make our life worth

the living;

And happy the Christmas day

we call

That is spent, for His sake, in

giving.

He shows us the way to live;

Like him, let us love and give.

Submitted by

Carol Finch Adkins

Did You Know?

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A Christmas Thought

By Lucy Larcom

Oh! Christmas is coming
again, you say,

And you long for the things he

is bringing;

But the costliest gift may not

gladden the day,

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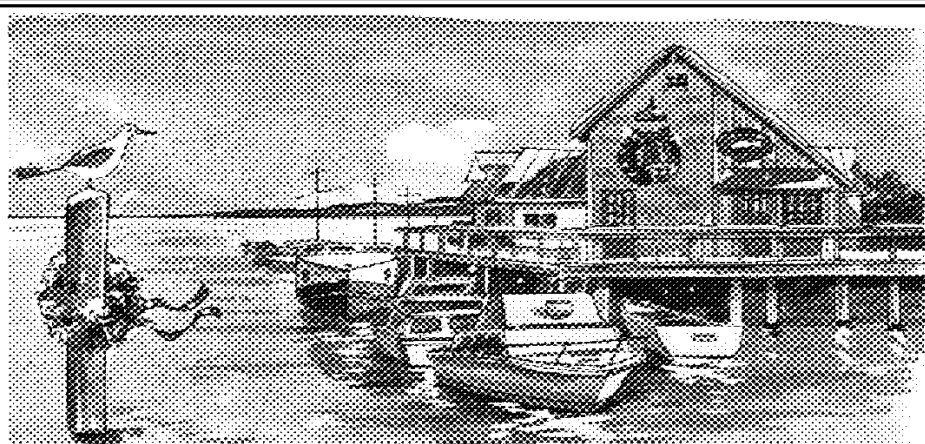
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saving;

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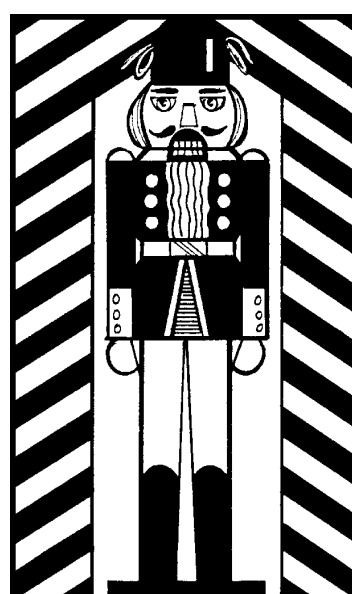
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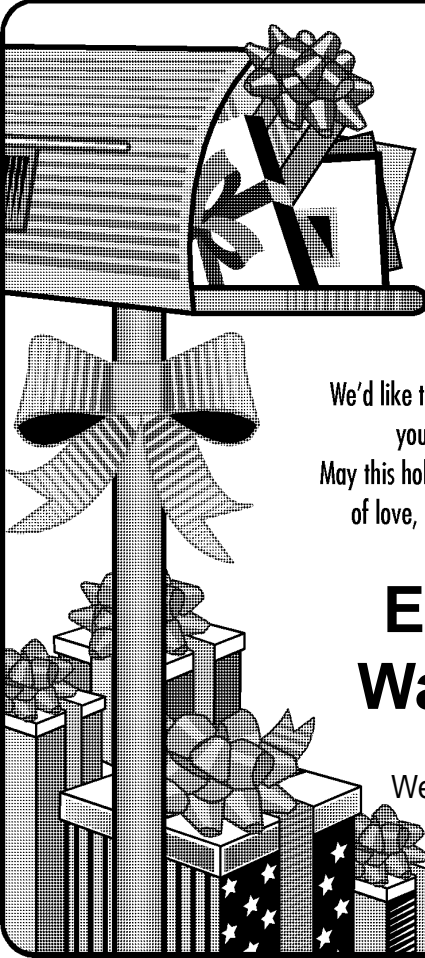
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The West Liberty Service Center committee election ballots for Wolfe LAA-1, Community A; Morgan LAA-2, Community B, and LAA-3, Community C; Magoffin LAA-4, Community D; Johnson- Floyd-Martin Pike LAA-5, Community E, were tabulated in an open forum at the West Liberty Service Center on Dec. 8, 2008. The new members will take office Jan. 1, 2009.

The results were as follow:

Wolfe County

LAA-1, Community A — Barbara Stone, COC Member; Carl Anthony Stone, 1st Alternate; William K. Amburgy, 2nd Alternate; Bill Campbell, 3rd Alternate.

Morgan County

LAA-2, Community B — Edward M. Stacy, COC Member; Michael Stacy, 1st Alternate. LAA-3, Community C —

Raleigh Jenkins, COC Member; Scotty L. Williams, 1st Alternate; Richard Sexton, 2nd Alternate; W. Henry Adkins, 3rd Alternate.

Magoffin County

LAA-4, Community D — Dwayne Skaggs, COC Member; Carol Edison McCarty, 1st Alternate; Barbara J. Rowe, 2nd Alternate; Roby Gullett, 3rd Alternate.

Johnson-Floyd-Martin Pike Counties

LAA-5, Community E — Jesse B. Salyer, COC Member; Charles D. Thompson, 1st Alternate; Geraldine Fitch, 2nd Alternate; Hubert Puckett, 3rd Alternate.

The positions for chairman, vice chairman and regular members will be determined at the first area committee meeting at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 12, 2009, at the West Liberty Service Center.

For extreme gallantry and risk of life

Morgan County native Chess Pelfrey, 80, is a resident of the War Memorial Nursing Home in Augusta, Ga. Born Nov. 11, 1928, at Elamton, He is a son of the late John Wallace and Chloe Blevins Pelfrey (who was reared on Williams Creek of Elk Fork). His wife, the former Phyllis Cooper, is a daughter of the late Mack and June Cooper of White Oak.

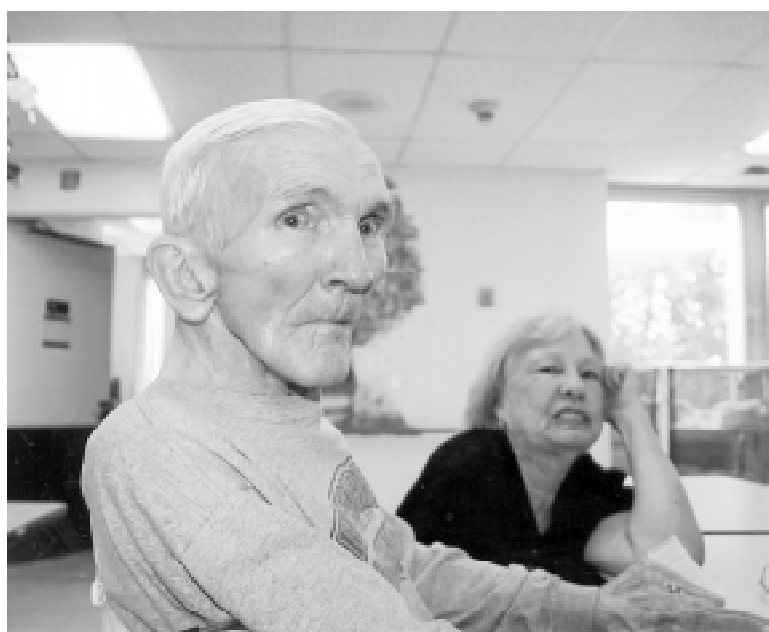
On Oct. 13, 1951, Sgt. Pelfrey was a long way from home with allied forces involved in fierce battle against enemy forces in Korea.

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The plaque, engraved with the wording of the official citation that accompanied the awarding of the medal, reads as follows:

Sergeant Pelfrey, a member of Company B, 5th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division, distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism in action against the enemy in the vicinity of Pnagdandong-ni, Korea, on 13



This photo of Chess Pelfrey and wife, Phyllis, was made four years ago at the War Memorial Nursing Home in Augusta, Ga.



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October 1951. On that date, Company B was engaged in an attack against well-fortified enemy positions. As the battle raged, intense enemy fire accounted for several casualties among the friendly troops including the platoon leader of the 2nd Platoon. Immediately taking charge of the platoon, Sergeant Pelfrey led the men forward until a heavy volume of automatic weapons fire from a hostile emplacement halted the advance. At this point, with utter disregard for his personal safety, Sergeant

Pelfrey singlehandedly charged the enemy position and destroyed it with hand grenades. Shouting words of encouragement, he led his men forward. Twice more, the platoon was stopped short of their objective by deadly accurate fire from enemy emplacements and both times Sergeant Pelfrey assaulted them in such an aggressive manner that they were successfully neutralized. Sergeant Pelfrey charged forward and his men, inspired by his fearless action, overran the enemy position and inflicted numerous casualties

among the hostile troops. The extraordinary heroism and selfless devotion to duty displayed by Sergeant Pelfrey throughout this action enabled the company to secure its objective and reflect great credit on himself and are in keeping with the highest traditions of the military service."

Pelfrey has several relatives in this area, including members of the Pelfrey, Bradley and Blevins families. He was a nephew of the late Ova Pelfrey of Lacy Creek and is a brother of Charles Pelfrey of Ashland,

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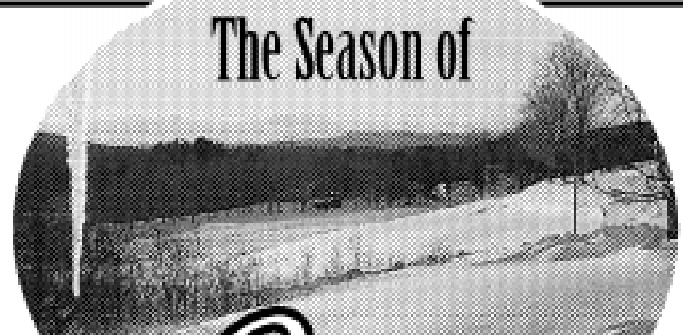
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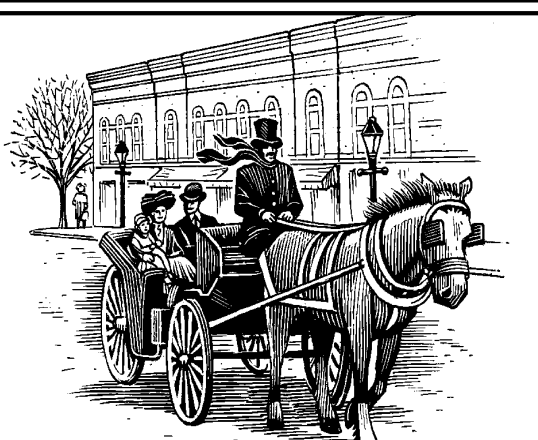
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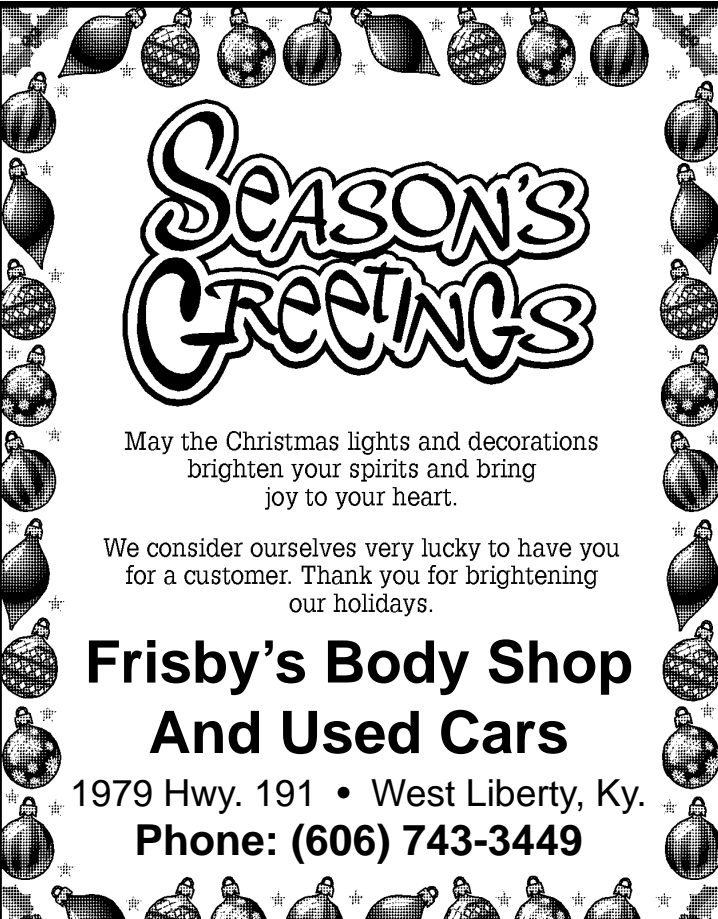
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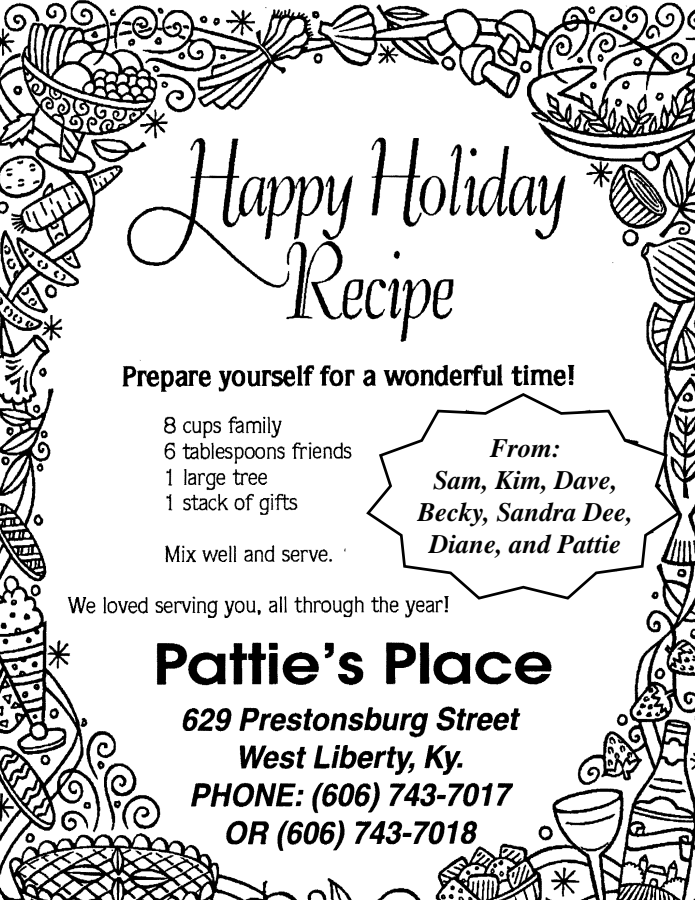


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deepest gratitude to each of you who has
stopped by to see us this past year.*

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AREA DEATHS

Christine Clevenger



Christine Perry Clevenger of Hwy. 1161, West Liberty, Ky., passed away Friday, December 19, 2008, at Signature Health Care Center, Georgetown, Ky., at the age of 93 years, 10 months and 25 days.

Christine was born January 24, 1915, a daughter of the late Willie Joe and Mary Alice Lewis Perry.

Christine was united in marriage to Glen Clevenger. To this union four children were born, Hershell, Charles Ray, Yvonne and Jimmy. She was saved and baptized and was a member of the Wells Creek Enterprise Baptist Church, a homemaker and loving mother and grandmother, devoting her life caring for her family.

Christine was preceded in death by her parents, Willie Joe and Mary Alice Perry; her husband; Glen Clevenger, and four children, Hershell, Yvonne, Charles Ray and Jimmy; three brothers, Charles Perry, Sam Perry and Leonard Perry; one sister, Martha Lou Perry. She is survived by six grandchildren, Sharma and Kevin Blanton, Georgetown, Ky., Tony and Stephanie Clevenger, Staffordsville, Ky., Scott and Courtney Clevenger, Morehead, Ky., Brian and Tiffany Clevenger, Somerset, Ky., Ginger and Gautham Jayaraman, Columbus, Ohio, Christy and Nick Piccin, Columbus, Ohio; eleven great-grandchildren, Ashley Clevenger, Michelle Clevenger, Peyton Madison Blanton, Savitha Jayaraman, Sahana Jayaraman, Ethan Clevenger, Kalyan Jayaraman, Cassidy Turner, Chloe Clevenger, Abigail Clevenger, and Hollace Piccin, and several special nieces and nephews.

Funeral service was at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, December 21, 2008, at the Potter Funeral Home Chapel with Elder Jimmy Adkins, Rev. Jason Ison and Rev. Joe Gilliam officiating. Burial was in the Clevenger Cemetery, Hwy. 1161, West Liberty, Ky., with Potter Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Pallbearers: Chad Carroll, Robert Harris, Ray Potter, Charles Henry Perry, Billy Ray Lewis, Dale Patrick, James Alread, Cortis Ison, Billy Peyton and Jr. Ison.

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Mexie Madalene Cottle



Mexie Smith Cottle, age 82, of Lexington, Ky., wife of Daniel G. Cottle, passed from this life on December 19, 2008, at St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care Unit, Lexington, Ky.

Born in Mima, Ky., and raised in Morgan County, Ky., she was the youngest of twelve children born to W. W. and Mahala Hill-Smith. She was baptized into Smith Creek Primitive Baptist Church of which she was still a member at her death. She retired from the University of Kentucky, where she was a telephone operator and supervisor for 15 years.

She started writing as a child, stopped to raise her family, then resumed after retiring. She is the author of a published memoir, "And the Road Was Mostly in the Creek," about growing up in Eastern Kentucky during the decades encompassing the Depression and World War II. Her short stories have been published in Kentucky publications. She was a founding member of the Friday Morning Writing Group at the Carnegie Center. She was also a member of the UK Radio Drama Club. She enjoyed traveling throughout the United States with her husband and grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Daniel G. Cottle; three children, Wayne and Debbie Cottle, Joan and Bryan Osburn, and Daniel and Wilma Cottle, all of Lexington, Ky.; grandchildren, Chad Cottle, Tom Evans, Sara Surles, Nikki Brookstein, Amy Pavona, Scott Evans, Carolyn Evans, Justin Cottle, Jessie Cottle; and great-grandchildren, Will Evans, Joseph Evans, Makayla Evans, Marin Cottle, Sonya Pavona, Madalene Evans, Kennon Pavona, Chloe Evans, Madison Evans, and Jacob Boston.

She was preceded in death by her parents, all her siblings, and her son, Darryl Cottle.

The family would like to thank the St. Joseph Hospital Hospice Care Unit.

Funeral services were at 12 p.m., Monday, Dec. 22, 2008, at Potter Funeral Home, West Liberty, Ky., with burial in the family cemetery.

Pallbearers: grandchildren. Honorary pallbearers: her great-grandchildren.

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In Memoriam



Joseph Smith Penix
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There's a special angel in Heaven
that is a part of me,
It is not where I wanted him,
but where God wanted him to be.

He was here but just a moment
like a night time shooting star
And though he is in Heaven
He isn't very far.

He touched the hearts of many
like only, an angel can do
I would've held him more often
If the end I only knew.

So I send this special message
to the Heavens up above,
Please take care of my angel,
And send him all my love.

In loving memory of Joseph Penix on this Christmas. You will be sadly missed once again, but you will be in our hearts and will never be forgotten.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Zach, Kayla,
Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles and Cousins
(pd)

Ruthie Lowe



Anna Ruth "Ruthie" Clevenger Lowe, 62, of Titusville, FL., formerly of West Liberty, KY, passed away Saturday, December 13, 2008 at Parrish Medical Center.

She was born October 27, 1946 at Fairborn, OH, daughter of Cloma Johnson Clevenger and the late Denzil Clevenger.

She is survived by her loving husband, Larry Lowe, one daughter, Peggy Young and husband Scottie of Titusville, FL; one son, Larry Lee Lowe and wife Rita of Huntingtown, Maryland; five grandchildren, Brannon, Cooper, Annie, Macie, and Justin; her mother, Cloma Clevenger of Titusville, FL; one brother, Paul Clevenger of Wrigley, KY and many Nephews and cousins. She will be missed dearly.

Funeral services 1:00 p.m. Thursday, December 18, 2008 at the Potter Funeral Home Chapel with Bro. Eugene Haney officiating and burial will follow in the Phillips Cemetery, (Liberty Road) West Liberty, KY. Visitation after 6:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Potter Funeral Home.

Pallbearers: Kenneth Blevins, Scott Clevenger, Chris Clevenger, Wayne Young, Randall Ratliff, Frankie Ratliff, Rusty Collinsworth, Ottis King, Alden King.

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Louise Minnix

Louise Minnix, beloved by her family and friends, passed away in Trenton, Michigan on Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2008.

Having just turned 86, Louise had battled Alzheimer's disease for the last 10 years and had most recently relocated from her daughter, Linda's home, to a nearby nursing home.

Born December 5, 1922, in West Liberty, Kentucky to Rose and Bruce McKenzie, Louise grew up with 7 siblings. Louise was married and widowed at an early age. Her first husband was severely injured and paralyzed in a mining accident after which Louise cared for him and their daughter, Teri, until his death.

Several years later Louise met her future husband, Lee Minnix, a young veteran returning from World War II. Lee and Louise married and moved to Dayton, Ohio where they raised two daughters, Teri and Linda, and son, Gary. Lee and Louise both worked while the children were growing up; Lee at a division of General Motors and Louise as a secretary. Upon retirement, Lee and Louise moved first to Palm Harbor, Florida and then to The Villages in Lady Lake, Florida, where they enjoyed the company of relatives, who lived nearby, played golf and were members of the North Lake Presbyterian Church.

Louise had a strong faith in God and lived her principles. She also loved a good laugh and those who could make her laugh. Although personally shy, her laughter would escape from her like the pop of a champagne cork, suddenly free and unhindered. Louise was a fabulous cook and used to really enjoy trying new recipes for her family and friends.

Louise is survived by daughter, Teri Keller, and husband, Don Keller; daughter, Linda Poston, and husband, Rick Poston; son, Gary Minnix and wife, Melanie Minnix; four grandchildren, Barry Keller and wife, Phyllis, Nicholas Poston, Natalie Poston, and David Minnix; two brothers, Cortis McKenzie and wife, Edith, and Larry McKenzie and wife, Marta; and many nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Louise was preceded in death by her first husband, Corbin Evans, second husband, Lee Minnix, and siblings, Gardner, Johnnie, Sherman, Marcella, and Owen.

Funeral services were conducted at 11 a.m. Monday, December 22, at Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, in Lady Lake, Florida. Burial followed at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida. If desired, memorial contributions may be sent to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eighth Avenue, 7th Floor, New York, New York 10001, or at www.alzfdn.org.

Words Of Wisdom

A person with one watch knows what time it is; a person with two watches is never sure.

In Memoriam



Merry Christmas
Carrina Gabrell Manning,
5-year-old daughter of
Christopher S. Manning

If I could only bring again
the days I took for granted
when
To hear your voice was just a call
away
Oh what I'd give for just some
time
To say the things that slipped my
mind
There's so much now I really
want to say
But I can never go back when we
did the things we did back then
I'll store all those precious
memories in my mind
I'll take what you've left for me
I'll try to be all I can be
And walk the path that God has
left behind

Oh I sure miss you,
Life will never be the same
With you not here each passing
day has brought much pain,
But with God's grace my
strength remains

I sure miss you but heaven is
sweeter with you there.
Little things that seem so small



In memory of
Christopher S. Manning
at
Christmas Time

now is like gold in a memory
vault
I cherish everyone I have of you
now I can see and recognize
the part you played that
changed my life
I often see you in the things I do
but God's designed a Master
plan
He saw the hurting hearts of man
as we would say good by to
those so dear,
So with my family and friends
we'll be together once again
And view heaven's splendor
hand in hand.
And if I have to knock on every
mansion door,
Walk miles of golden streets,
Search among the million
saints that rest at Jesus' feet
I will run along the jasper walls,
call your name upon the wind
And Chris,
I will find you again.

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1 can (15 oz.) California
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2 cups flour
1 cup sugar
2 tsp. baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
1 tsp. salt

2 whole eggs
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1/4 cup water

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cheese
1 whole egg
1/2 cup sugar
1/8 tsp. almond extract
1/8 tsp. salt
1 tsp. lemon juice

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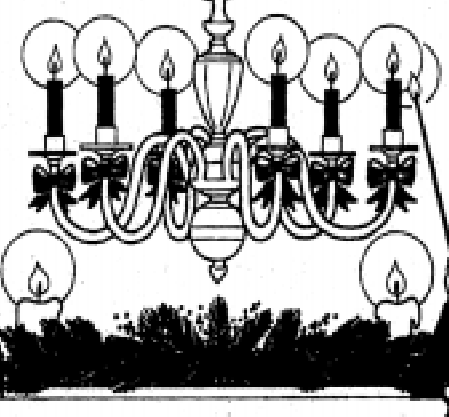



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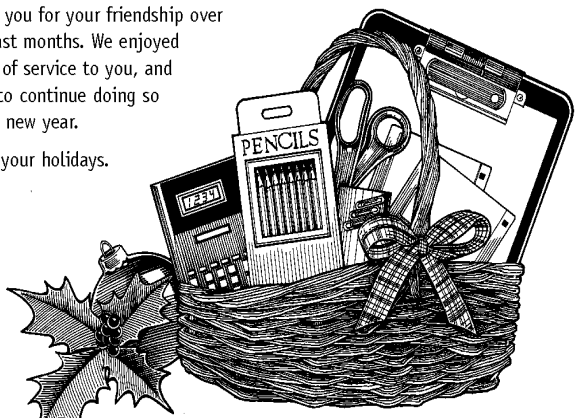
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*May the spirit of the season fill your heart, and your home,
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Of The
Season**

*At Christmastime,
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and
Scottyee
Franklin
and
Staff

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of the Season

May all of nature rejoice, and may your spirits take flight,
as the wonder and magic of Christmas transforms the
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As we rush headlong into the hustle and bustle of the holidays,
we hope you'll have ample time for lots of old-fashioned Christmas fun
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With sincere thanks for contributing to our success this season.

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happiness.

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Best Holiday Wishes

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Mountain Community



JOY TO
THE
WORLD

May you enjoy the beauty and love that is Christmas, and remember the true spirit of this holy time.

Peace to all.

**Lourinda Pelfrey
And Family**

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Season's Greetings

Left to Right: Dave Ison, Arlene Potter, Jacqueline Gevedon, Becky Francis, Billinell Prater, Bobbie Skaggs, Brenda Stacy.

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From:

Morgan County Judges' Office & Staff



Pictured from left, Carolyn Bishop, Family Resource Center, Emily Nickell, and Betty Black, Activities Director.

Annual Coat Drive at W. L. Nursing & Rehab.

West Liberty Nursing and Rehabilitation Center staff and this year's Rogers Scholar, Emily Nickell, worked together to sponsor a community coat drive. Over 130 coats were collected during this time. As a Rogers Scholar Emily is required to complete a community service

project and was willing to partner with us in our first annual coat drive. These coats will be distributed to students in Morgan County by the Family Resource Centers at school. We want to thank those who participated in helping provide warmth to those in need.

Catch The Spirit!

As we celebrate the message of that very first Noel, we wish you and your family exceeding great joy this holiday season.

We feel both honored and blessed to serve people like you!

Morgan Co. Magistrate
Stanley Riggsby & wife, Lesley

Your Social Security

Medicare Part B Signup Jan. 1 - March 31

If you are eligible for Medicare Part B medical insurance, but you did not sign up for it when you first became eligible for Medicare, you will have another opportunity to apply. Open season for Medicare Part B runs from Jan. 1-March 31, 2009. Better to act early than late – if you miss the deadline, you will have to wait until 2010 to apply.

Medicare Part B covers some medical expenses not covered by Medicare Part A (hospital insurance), such as doctors' fees, outpatient hospital visits and other medical services and supplies.

When you first become eligible for hospital insurance (Part A), you have an initial enrollment period of seven months in which to sign up for medical insurance (Part B). After that, you have to pay a higher premium – unless the reason you declined Part B was because you were covered through an employer's group health plan or a group health plan based on a spouse's employment.

You are given another opportunity to enroll in Part B during the general enrollment period, from Jan. 1-March 31 of each year. But each 12-month period that you are eligible for Medicare Part B and do not sign up, the amount of your monthly premium increases by 10 percent.

Medicare is made up of four parts:

- Hospital insurance (Part A) that helps pay for inpatient care in a hospital or skilled nursing facility (following a hospital stay), some health care and hospice care.

- Medical insurance (Part B) that helps pay for doctors' services and many other medical services and supplies that are not covered by hospital insurance.

- Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans are available in many areas. People with Medicare Parts A and B can choose to receive all of their health care services through one of these provider organizations under Part C.

- Prescription drug coverage (Part D) that helps pay for prescription medications.

In addition, some people with limited income and resources may qualify for extra help to pay for the costs – monthly premiums, annual deductibles and co-pays – related to their Medicare prescription drug plan (Part D). You can learn more about the extra help at www.socialsecurity.gov/prescription-help.

You can learn more about Medicare by reading our electronic booklet, *Medicare*, at www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10043.html. You can also call us toll-free at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778) to ask for a copy. Or visit the Medicare website at www.medicare.gov. You can also call Medicare at 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227; TTY 1-877-486-2048).

Just remember the Medicare Part B open season runs from Jan. 1-March 31.

Bernard O'Nan is the district manager at the Ashland Social Security office. A representative from the Ashland office visits West Liberty every first and third non-holiday Monday at the Community Center starting at 8:30 a.m. The Ashland office can be reached at 606-325-0516.

WEST LIBERTY POLICE DEPARTMENT



Dec. 14 - Dec. 20

- If you see or have information on any criminal activity, we ask that you call us at 606-743-4385. We do not want your name, but we do want your information.

- The West Liberty Police Department will conduct traffic safety checkpoints in addition to moving patrols through the remainder of 2008.

Cases/Investigations Opened

1 Possession of drug paraphernalia

Arrests

4 Driving under the influence
1 Possession of drug paraphernalia

1 Assault 4th degree
1 Flagrant non-support

Citations issued – 11

Non-injury accidents – 3

Injury accidents – 0

E-911 Calls for Service

County-wide – 100

City – 50

Morgan Central PTO says thanks

The Morgan Central PTO would like to take this time to thank the many people and businesses that made our Fall Carnival a huge success. Here is a list of businesses and individuals that gave:

Grassy Auto, Bank of the Mountains, Commercial Bank, Tim Conley, Donna Pelfrey, Potter Funeral Home, Herald Funeral Home, Drs. Nickell and Steel, Yesterday and Today,

Darby Franklin PVA, Radio Shack, The Mane Even, UMMM, Headquarters, Lenvil's, Advance Auto, Lykins Pawn, Robin Hopkins Gullett, Mt. Telephone, GO-Go Lawn and Garden, Mickie Whitt, Clinic Pharmacy, Ison Ins., Peyton's Pharmacy, Dr. Henderson and Gunnell, Dr. Bailey, Towne Cinema, Spa Exclusive, Bebe Yearly, Caney General, R & M Merchandise, Elam Furniture, Randy Williams, Dr. Frederick, LVRECC, All Occasions, Merle Norman, Wells Ready Mix, Licking Valley Courier, Freezer Fresh, McKenzie's

Pool Room, Pizza Express, Morgan Chevelot, Country Carpet, Country Curl, Days Inn, Dustins Barber Shop, Patty's Place, McKenzie's Shopwise, Oldfields, Lyon's Feed Store, Quick Lube, BJ's Quick Stop, & Chevron, and a special thanks to our auctioneer, Al Johnson.

Also, thanks to all of our volunteers that work and make everything possible for our students.

We hope that you all have a Happy Holiday Season and a Great New Year!!!!!!

—Morgan Central PTO



GFWC/KFWC Morgan County Woman's Club Women's Military Memorial Memory Brick Order Form



We are planning a memorial to honor veterans of Morgan County. We will have "Memory Bricks" around the memorial. The memorial will be located in the Veteran's Kiwanis Park in West Liberty. If you would like to purchase a brick to be engraved with the name of a veteran, male or female, we would love to include it as a tribute to Morgan County Veterans. The cost of the bricks is \$25.00. Please mail prior to March 15, 2009. Thank you.

Please include the following information for our records:

My name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Please send your \$25.00 check or money order along with this form to:

Morgan County Woman's Club
P.O. Box 52
West Liberty, KY 41472

Guidelines for engraving:

1. Maximum of 3 lines per brick, not to exceed 13 characters per line.
2. Blank spaces count as one character.
3. Be sure all names are spelled correctly.
4. Use a separate order form for each brick ordered.
5. No particular placement on the memorial is guaranteed.
6. Please keep a copy for your records.
7. Use all capital letters.

Samples include: IN MEMORY OF; IN HONOR OF; or
NAME, MILITARY DIVISION, YEARS OF SERVICE

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

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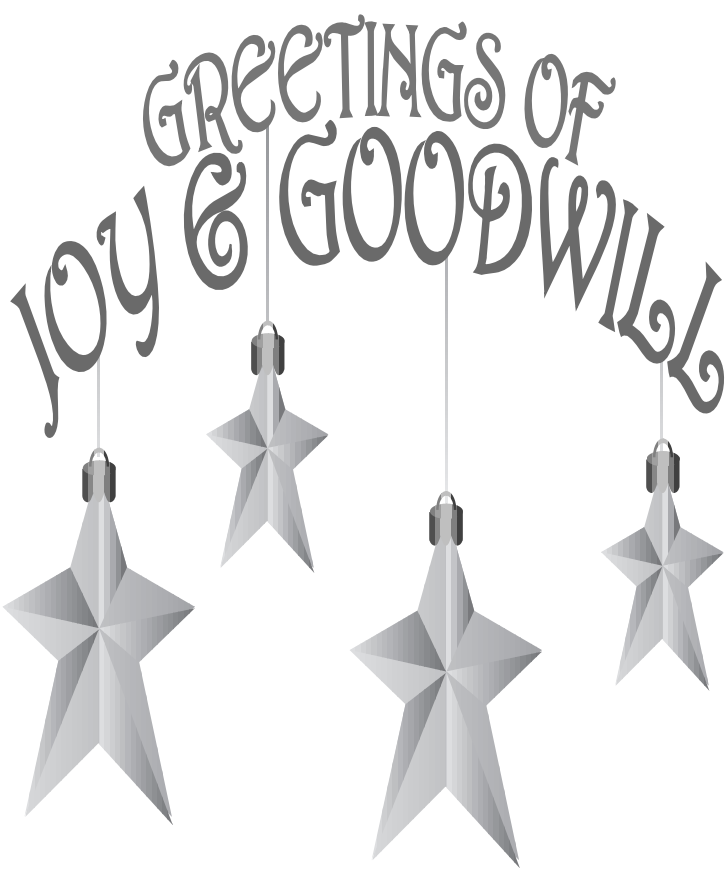
*May His good graces guide you and may the light of His
love find you wherever you go this Christmas season.*

We appreciate your stopping by this year. Thanks!

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Joy Is In The Air!

Wishing all our good friends and neighbors a holiday filled with good times, joy and laughter.
Serving you has been a real treat for us. Thanks!

Randy Williams

County Court Clerk & Employees



As we rejoice in the wonder and splendor of this special season, we feel fortunate to enjoy the goodwill and friendship of people like you, and wish you and your family all the best this year.

THE GIFT GALLERY

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May
*Good Tidings
Knock On
Your Door
This Holiday.*

Best wishes to you and your family, as you welcome the peace and joy of the Christmas season into your home. We hope your holiday is filled with comfort and joy and the warmth of good friends. We look forward to serving you in the new year.

Though it's cold outside, it's cozy in here,
As we gather with friends from far and near.
No matter where you may travel
or what people may say,
There's no place like home for the holiday!



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Mark Walter
Sales Associate

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TO OUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS



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Is that friendship and trust are always in style
And that good folk like you make it all worthwhile;
So to all of those who we hold dear,
Goes this message of joy and peace and cheer.
We thank you for your visits here
And hope to see you all next year!

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*John and Linda Whitt
and all employees*



*To All Our
Good Neighbors
At Christmas*

*We're displaying our holiday cheer,
To thank everyone for stopping here
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You surely have our sincere gratitude ...
So without any fanfare or further delay
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4x2, Automatic, Red, Clean
\$2,969.⁰⁰
Stock # 1287-3 Plus Tax, Title & License

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2008 Buick Lacrosse

31,000 miles, Loaded, Gold
\$16,900.⁰⁰
Stock # 3238 Plus T, T, L

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Black, Automatic, 4x4
\$7,986.⁰⁰
Stock # 3161-2 Plus T, T, L

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\$6,937.⁰⁰
Stock # 2921-2 Plus T, T, L

1998 Jimmy

Automatic, 4x4, Green, V-6 Engine
\$6,937.⁰⁰
Stock # 1007-1 Plus T, T, L

1999 Dodge

2500 Series HD, 4x4, Automatic, Green,
\$7,946.⁰⁰
Stock # 1007-1 Plus T, T, L

2009 Ford Mustang

\$21,900.⁰⁰
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NEWS OF RECORD

CIRCUIT COURT

New civil cases – Christopher Beagle vs. Global Acceptance Credit Co., Dec. 16; Kenny Hooten #183718 vs. EKCC, Dec. 16.

DISTRICT COURT

Executive Financial Entrep. vs. Vanessa R. Johnson, Dec. 12; Capital One Bank vs. Marita Dunn, Dec. 15; LVNV Funding LLC vs. Jimmie Cantrell, Dec. 15; Midland Funding LLC vs. James M. Hutchinson, Dec. 15; Bluegrass Credit Corporation vs. James Patton, Dec. 17; Tonya S. Krieger vs. Melinda J. Perkins, Dec. 18; Velocity Investments LLC vs. Johnny Pennington, Dec. 18; NCO Portfolio Management Inc. vs. Mary J. Litton, Dec. 18.

ARRAIGNMENTS

Justin Cantrell – operating a vehicle with expired operator's license – failed to appear, bench warrant issued.
Rachel Carter – no/expired registration plates, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt, failure to produce insurance card, license to be in possession – failed to appear.
David R. Carty – speeding 5 mph over limit – pled guilty.
Bonnie Conn – assault (fourth degree domestic violence; no visible injury) – pre-trial conference Jan. 13.
Jarred S. Fannin – speeding 5 mph over limit, failure to produce insurance card – rescheduled Jan. 13.
James B. Ferguson Jr. – speeding 10 mph over limit, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, failure to illuminate head lamps.

Rachel R. Gilliam – operating on suspended/revoked operator's license – failed to appear, bench warrant issued.
Ron L. Godby – speeding 16 mph over limit, license to be in possession, operating on suspended/revoked operator's license – rescheduled Jan. 13.

John T. Lewis – reckless driving – order entered.
Michael B. Lumpkins – failure to wear seatbelts – \$25.

Derek L. Pennington – no/expired operator's license, no/expired Kentucky registration receipt – failed to appear.

Ricky Stamper – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 – pled guilty, \$25.

Michael G. Titus – speeding 5 mph over limit, failure to produce insurance card – failed to appear.

Jason S. Vanhoose – paid in full.

Karen L. Woosley – failure of owner to maintain required insurance – failed to appear.

ance/security, failure to notify address change to department of transportation – failed to appear, bench warrant issued.

Brannon S. Young – no/expired other state registration receipt, failure to maintain required insurance/security – rescheduled Jan. 13.

Randall Miner – criminal possession of a forged instrument (second degree) – matter bound over to grand jury.

James M. Trimble – speeding 10 mph over limit, operating a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol/drugs, failure of owner to maintain required insurance/security, operating on suspended/revoked operator's license, possession of a controlled substance (third degree, first offense/ drug unspecified) – pre-trial conference March 3.

Pre-trial conference – Thelma G. Combs – theft by deception including cold checks under \$300 (two counts) – pled guilty, 10 days.

PROPERTY TRANSFERS

Johnny Guy Mays and Beverly, and Jason Gibson to Richard Litteral, 3 tracts on the waters of Licking River on US Hwy. No. 460 near Robert Potter's line, \$39,000.

Vickie Howard to Randy Howard, 0.459 acres on Pine Grove Road, for and in consideration of a decree of dissolution of marriage.

William Mitchell O'Neal and Michelle to Joshua Robert O'Neal, 90 acres, more or less, on Big Mandy, love and affection.

Ruth D. Patterson, fka Ruth D. Wireman, fka Ruth Bailey to P.R. Vellayan and Anita, 2 tracts in the City of West Liberty, near the right of way of Liberty Road (Ky. 2498) and north right of Daisy Knob Road, \$170,000.

Mary Beth Popplewell and Terry and Woodford B. Gevedon to Fairanna Nickell, land located on Little Caney Creek, love and affection.

Robert Stacy to Jeffrey Lewis, land located on Rockhouse Creek, at the line of Curt Hopkins, \$29,000.

Lawrence Lewis and Phyllis to Terry Lewis, land located near the right of way of Ky. Rt. 711, love and affection.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

Randy Williams, Morgan County Court Clerk, has issued the following marriage license.

Joe Anna Bolin, 29, of West Liberty, daughter of Vanna Perkins Bolin and Chalmer Lee Bolin, to Terry M. Dotson, 27, of West Liberty, son of Brenda Justice Dotson and Terry Eugene Dotson.

WORDS OF WISDOM

Obstacles cannot crush me, every obstacle yields to stern resolve. He who is fied to a star does not change his mind.

– Leonardo Da Vinci



Airman Rose Adams

Airman Adams graduates from basic training

Air Force Airman Rose M. Adamson has graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization, core values, and military customs and courtesies; performed drill and ceremony marches, and received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate in applied science degree relating through the Community College of the Air Force.

She is the daughter of Betty and Donald Adamson of Hickory Road, West Liberty, Ky.

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Arctic Drift, by Clive Cussler
Just After Sunset, by Stephen King

Your Heart Belongs To Me, by Dean Koontz

UK helps improve life in Morgan County

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 15 – Residents of Morgan County may not realize the ways the University of Kentucky continually touches their lives, by providing education to 19 young Morgan Countians in the 2008-09 academic year, assisting business people, advising homemakers and agricultural enterprises and offering guidance on health care.

UK's 2008-09 academic year began with two Morgan County freshmen, five sophomores, four juniors and one senior attending classes, along with seven others pursuing graduate degrees or professional degrees in nursing, medicine, pharmacy and law.

Meanwhile, Morgan Countians already entrust vital parts of their lives to professionals who learned their skills at UK. The county has three lawyers, seven nurses, eight pharmacists and three dentists who earned their degrees at UK.

And UK's impact promises to continue far into the future, as UK launches more research programs and economic development initiatives designed to improve prosperity and the quality of life of for every Kentuckian.

"The University of Kentucky takes great pride in knowing it is the Commonwealth's flagship, land-grant university," said UK President Lee T. Todd Jr. "With that title comes the responsibility of making sure Kentuckians in all 120 counties feel the impact of UK's education, research and outreach. Our Top 20 mandate did not call on UK to become a leading American university for the sake of rankings and statistics; it challenged us to help change conditions in every corner of the

Commonwealth. And we remain committed to doing just that."

"The federal research dollars that UK brings to the state has a large direct impact on the state economy. However, these research dollars are only a small part of the total impact UK has on the state," said Ken Troske, director of the UK Center for Business and Economic Research.

For instance, Morgan County boasts 127 alumni of UK, but the university's impact stretches beyond those who have studied in its classrooms by assisting regional and local economic development efforts.

"The education students receive from UK turns them into more productive workers and citizens," Troske said. "In turn these students help raise the wages of other workers in the state; are less likely to commit crimes; are healthier; and are more informed participants in the political process. All Kentuckians benefit directly from UK, even those who never set foot on campus."

Meanwhile, more than 350,000 patients relied on the UK Chandler Medical Center—which includes the UK Chandler Hospital, the Kentucky Clinics and the Kentucky Children's Hospital – for their health care in the fiscal year that ended June 30, including 3,853 patient visits by Morgan County residents.

In Morgan County, local residents consulted with UK Cooperative Extension agents Kimberly Cox, Sarah Fanin Holliday and Nellie Buchanan on a broad range of issues, providing information on medical issues, healthy recipes, household budgeting,

and weather precautions important to both farmers and homeowners. Across Kentucky, families using this service – the nation's third largest Extension service – reduced their health care costs by \$24 million. Meanwhile, farmers saw their revenues rise by \$25 million.

Business people in Morgan County obtained information 14 times about better methods of improving competitiveness. The advice offered by consultants of UK's Kentucky Small Business Development Centers (KSBD) resulted in an average annual increase of sales by its clients of nearly \$546,329. Statewide, KSBD's services helped generate more than \$92.6 million in sales and helped create 806 jobs and save 295 others.

Morgan County's men and women who work in area manufacturing plants may have benefited from increased job opportunities created by improved efficiency and productivity resulting from the consulting services of UK's Industrial Extension Service. This program, and UK's Center for Manufacturing, advises nearly 320 companies a year on ways to heighten profitable operations, and most of these companies are in Kentucky.

UK's future economic impact also will extend into Morgan County, as coming generations seek their degrees both on the campus in Lexington and on the Internet via Kentucky's Commonwealth Virtual University. Better earnings, a more educated work force and a higher tax base – the evidence of real prosperity – can be expected.

The Story of Edgar Sawtell, by Laurell Hamilton
Divine Justice, by David Baldacci

The Lucky One, by Nicholas Sparks

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Pictures With Santa

The Library and the MSU Regional Enterprise Center will be having their annual Pictures With Santa event on December 18th. Pictures will be taken and printed from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Christmas Story Hours

The Library will be holding two story hours during Christmas. They will be on December 23rd

and 30th at 1 p.m. The children will enjoy a Christmas story and a craft to take home. Please come out and join us in the spirit of Christmas.

If you are unable to come to the library and would like books delivered to your home, call the library at 743-4151.

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Christmas History

The most joyous day in Christian history is closely connected to ancient rituals. In fact, mid-winter holidays have been celebrated since long before the birth of Christ.

In Scandinavia, the Norse celebrated Yule from Dec. 21, which is the winter solstice, through January. Winter solstice was an important holiday for ancient people, who believed the sun was a god. The Egyptians, early Romans and Celts all celebrated winter solstice. The Druids, the priests of the ancient Celts, decorated their temples with evergreen boughs, as did the Romans.

Christmas, which was once celebrated on Jan. 6, was moved to Dec. 25 in 354 A.D. Dec. 25 was also historically significant to the ancients. The Phrygian and Persian sun gods were born on that date, according to ancient history.

Germany created the Christmas tree in the 16th century when Christians bought decorated trees into their homes. German introduced the tradition to Americas. The first American Christmas tree of record was decorated with homemade ornaments, apples, nut and marzipan cookies in the 1830s by German settlers in Pennsylvania.

While Europeans preferred small trees about four feet in height, Americans opted for towering trees that reached from floor to ceiling.

The first eggnog made in the United States was concocted in the Jamestown, Va., settlement, according to the writings of Captain John Smith. Nog is derived from the word "grog," which refers to any drink made with rum.

Santa Claus

St. Nicholas is believed to have been a monk born in modern-day Turkey in 280 A.D. Many legends surround St. Nicholas, who was revered for his kindness and purity. It is believed that St. Nick traveled the countryside dispersing his inherited wealth to the needy. Other legends say that he provided dowries for three sisters, thereby saving them from being sold into slavery by their father.

Over the centuries, St. Nicholas legends sprouted and took hold. He became the protector of children and sailors. The day of his death, Dec. 6, is considered a lucky day to make big purchases or get married. Children receive gifts on Dec. 6 in many countries. In Germany, children are gifted candy.

Modern day Christmas is a blend of ancient festivities and symbols that heralded the winter solstice, melded with Christianity and Christian legends. One aspect of the winter holiday has remained consistent through the millennia: Christmas is a time for expressing gratitude and sharing the bounty of blessings we have been given.

KACD scholarship signup deadlines are announced

The Kentucky Association of Conservation Districts (KACD) Auxiliary is excited to announce a new scholarship for non-traditional college students. This scholarship will be awarded to any student that is at least 25 years old and pursuing an undergraduate degree in agriculture or related natural resources field.

The scholarship of \$1,000 will be presented at the annual state convention of KACD. There are also two other scholarships offered by KACD Auxiliary including the State Soil Conservation of Natural Resources Scholarship and the George Crafton Memorial Scholarship.

The State Soil Conservation of Natural Resources Scholarship will be awarded to any student enrolled in college who has declared a major in the fields of agriculture or conservation of natural resources.

The scholarship of \$1,000 will also be presented at the annual state convention of KACD.

The George Crafton Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to

any high school senior who is enrolled to attend college and intends to major in the fields of agriculture or conservation of natural resources.

These scholarships of \$1,000 will also be presented at the annual state convention of KACD. If you are interested in these scholarships, you may pick up an application at the Morgan County Conservation District at 955 Prestonsburg St., Ste. #2, West Liberty, Ky 41472, at the West Liberty Service Center building beside Frederick & May Lumber.

If you have any questions, please call Morgan County Conservation District at 743-3194. The George Crafton Memorial Scholarship application, rules and instructions may also be picked up from Jo Ann Blair at Morgan County High School for any interested senior high school students majoring in these particular fields.

All applications must be turned by Friday, March 13, 2009, to the Morgan County Conservation District.

Wolfe County Rd. to be closed Jan. 5 for Pkway. work

Beginning Monday, Jan. 5, Bear Branch Road in Wolfe County will be closed at the Mountain Parkway overpass near Campton Lake. This closure will last for an extended period of time, and is related to the ongoing project to widen the Mountain Parkway to four lanes between Exit 43 and Exit 46.

During the closure, a new bridge will be constructed for Mountain Parkway traffic. The existing bridge will then be demolished and a new one will be built to replace it, enabling four-lane traffic when the project is completed.

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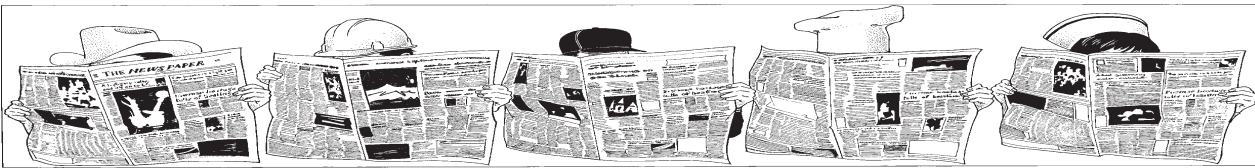
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Morgan Co. schools homework hotline

Morgan County schools homework hotline numbers are as follows: Morgan County Middle School, 743-8118; East Valley Elementary School, 522-8185; Ezel Elementary School, 725-8208; Morgan Central Elementary School, 743-8433; and West Liberty Elementary School, 743-8427.

Gateway WIA program offering following services

Between the ages of 18-21? Ready to make a difference in your life? The Gateway WIA program is now offering the following services to residents of Morgan and Menifee Counties: Work Readiness Skills, Attending College for short term training, Life skills training, Obtaining work experience, Parenting skills, Financial planning. If interested call Karen at (606) 743-4141, ext. 101 today to see if you qualify.

Attention women ages 40-64

If you are a Kentucky resident, have no insurance, if you have never had a mammogram or it has been two years or more since your last mammogram, you may qualify for a screening and will receive a \$10 Wal Mart card to spend how you wish. Call Morgan County Health Department at 743-3744, and ask for an appointment today!! Funding provided by: Kentucky Cancer Progra, Susan G. Komen and Gateway District Health Department.

Morgan Christian Acad. needs old cell phones and ink cartridges

The Morgan County Christian Academy is collecting used, no longer needed, cell phones and used printer cartridges. The Academy is doing this as an effort to recycle. So please, if you have any used cell phones or ink cartridges, call the school at 743-1824 or drop them off at the school at Index. C-8-23-tf

Henry Cemetery Notice

Donations are needed for the mowing and upkeep of the Henry Cemetery, located at Index. Please send to Pearl Dykes, Treasurer, 334 S. Howard Street, Sabina, Ohio 45169. C-3-27-tf

Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for the Morgan County History Museum. We need volunteers that can work a few hours a week at the museum. Days needed are Tuesday and Friday. We are open from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any help will be appreciated. C-1-31-tf

Saturday night services at Zag Community Ch.

Church services are held on the first Saturday of each month at Zag Community Church, located one mile off Hwy. 519 on Hwy. 976. The pastor, Bro. Donald Cox, assistant pastor, Bro. J.R. Keeton, and congregation invite everyone to come out and join us. Services start at 7 p.m. C-6-5-TF

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Anti-drug groups monthly meetings

Local anti-drug groups meet the first Wednesday of every month in the county government building's fiscal court room at the following times: ASAP, 12 p.m.; UNITE, 1 p.m.; and Champions, 2 p.m. The public is invited to attend these meetings and participate in group activities. C-5-15-TF

Bible Study at Emanuel Family Circle on Wed.

Emanuel Family Circle Church is having a very good Bible study on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the fellowship and study with us. We are studying in The Gospel according to Matthew. Emanuel Family Church is located off of Ky. 706, Eldridge Branch Road. Ira Smith, pastor. C-12-4-2t

AA meetings slated for each Sunday evening

AA meetings are being held each Sunday at 8 p.m. in the conference room at the county government building. For more information or directions, call 606-743-1210.

Flu vaccine available at local Health Department

Flu vaccine available at Morgan County Health Department beginning October 1. The cost per each vaccination is \$20. Medicare, Medicaid, or Humana insurance is accepted by the health department. For appointment, phone 743-3744.

Volunteers needed!

Volunteers are needed for the Morgan County History Museum. We need volunteers that can work a few hours a week at the museum. Days needed--Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. We are open from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Any help will be appreciated. C-8-16-tf

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Notice of Approval of the CSBG Plan

Gateway Community Action's Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Program's annual Plan and Budget for the 2008-2009 fiscal year has been approved. CSBG is a statewide initiative sponsored by Community Action Kentucky in partnership with the Cabinet for Health and Family Services. The CSBG Plan and Budget is available for public inspection at your local outreach office: Bath County (606) 674-2502, Menifee County (606) 768-2369, Montgomery County (859) 498-5345, Morgan County (606) 743-3133, or Rowan County (606) 784-7735.

Service times at Seventh Day Adventist Church

The Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1266 E. Main Street, in Jackson, meets at 10 a.m. for Saturday worship, and 6:30 p.m. Wednesday for Bible Study. Everyone welcome.

Sweet potato meeting scheduled for Jan. 9

After last year's success with sweet potato variety trials, the Extension Office will be pursuing additional field trials this year, working with Drs. Timothy Coolong and Terry Jones, UK vegetable specialists. There will be a meeting Friday, Jan. 9, at the Extension Office to discuss last year's results and future opportunities. Anyone who is interested in growing sweet potatoes is welcome to attend.

Holiday closings at Commercial Bank

Commercial Bank will be closed Christmas day, Thursday, Dec. 25, and Thursday, Jan. 1, in observance of the New Year's holiday. C-12-11-3t

Circuit Clerk's Ofc. holiday closings

Morgan County Circuit Court Clerk Donna Pelfrey's office will be closed Christmas eve, Wednesday, Dec. 24. The office will re-open Monday, Dec. 29. C-12-18-2t

Watch Night service at Sandfield Ch. Dec. 31st

Sandfield Community Church will have a Watch Night service on Wednesday, Dec. 31, beginning at 8 p.m. The pastor, Bro. Mike Brooks, and congregation invite everyone to come help pray the old year out and the new year in. C-12-18-2t

CREATE IN ME

Create in me a clean heart, Oh God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from thy presence and take not thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation and uphold me with thy -- Submitted by Alpha Clevenger

WORDS OF WISDOM

Often a greater risk is involved in postponment than in making a wrong decision. -- H.A. Hopf

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Open request to local churches

Open request to all churches, organizations, and individuals in the Eastern Kentucky area. It is that time of the year when everyone has their hand out, even the Red Cross, and we know the dollar only goes so far, especially with the economy the way it is. But we still ask for things for out troops overseas who won't be home for Christmas this year. Little things that could mean a lot, like Christmas cards. Our goal is to get over 1,000 cards for the 201st Engr BN, but without your help we won't even come close.

Why this unit? Well most of the men and women come from the counties we support under the Mid-East Kentucky Chapter. Had we names and addresses of others we would send them things as well. During the last four years we have gotten things from various groups and individuals which make us able to continue to send care packages. But we have ran short of items to send and our budget has run even shorter for this and other things we need.

If you have a quantity of items you would like to donate but can't get them to us, we will come and get them. Canned or packaged candy, chewing gum, Little Debbie snacks, cookies, cocoa mix, moon pies, nuts, ramen noodles, dried fruit, trail mix, meat items, Slim Jims, jerky, hot sauce, lip balm, baby wipes, tube socks, writing pads, batteries AAA, AA, C, D, and 9 volt, tobacco products, and Christmas cards. Sincerely, Daniel Leland Mid-East Ky. Chapter American Red Cross 450 Prestonsburg St. West Liberty, Ky. 41472 (606) 743-2296

Bless The Lord Radio Ministry schedules

Bless The Lord Ministry radio program can be heard each Thursday mning at 10 a.m. on WLKS 1450 on your radio dial. Pastor Gary Fields of West Liberty-Glenn Avenue Church of God will be bringing the message. To begin your day, turn your radio on, pour yourself a hot cup of coffee or hot chocolate, get your Bible reeady and listen to the word of Good and worship the Lord.

If you don't have a home church, we welcome you to join us each week. Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Sunday morning worship, 11 a.m. with Children's Church downstairs during morning worship. (we have a wonderfully blessed youth minister); Sunday evening, 6 p.m.; and Wednesday evening Bible Study at 7 p.m. For more information, feel free to call 743-2632 or 743-4161. C-11-27-TF

Attention area ministers!

Ministers of Morgan County and surrounding area, are you worried about the sin taking over this country, and the leaders of it? Then come be with us in prayer about this on January 10 at 12 noon, at Index Community Church. A special thanks to Pastor Mike Frisby and congregation. Hosted by Murphy Fork Church. C-12-25-3t

Recycle your greeting cards

The St. Jude Ranch for Children is now accepting all types of greeting cards--fronts only (without writing on them). They are trimmed to fit a 5x7 inch card and are attached to a new blank card. The recycled cards are sold, with all proceeds going directly back to the abused, abandoned and neglected children at the three ranches. Please drop your greeting card fronts in the box placed in our lobby of Commercial Bank during our normal business hours. C-12-15-2t

KSP conducting safety checkpoints in the Post 8 area

Capt. Dwayne Depp, commander of the Kentucky State Police at Morehead, recently announced that troopers of the Morehead post will be conducting safety checkpoints this month in addition to moving patrols throughout the post area for the remainder of the year.

This concentrated enforcement effort will utilize members of the Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) in addition to other troopers assigned to Post 8. Emphasis will focus on enforcing violations of the speeding, seatbelt, child restraint and impaired driving laws as well as other violations of the traffic laws of Kentucky.

The counties within the Post 8 area include Bath, Elliott, Fleming, Lewis, Mason, Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, Powell, Rowan and Wolfe.

Horse diagnosed with Contagious Equine Metritis is quarantined

State and federal agriculture officials are investigating a case of contagious equine metritis (CEM) in a quarter horse in central Kentucky.

The 16-year-old stallion tested positive from CEM during routine testing on Dec. 10. The test was performed by the University of Kentucky Livestock Disease Diagnostic Center as a preliminary step to shipping frozen semen to the European union. Samples were sent to the National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, which confirmed the diagnosis.

The index horse and all exposed horses are under quarantine and undergoing testing protocols. The index horse is being treated, and exposed horses have been tested to see if they are infected.

The index horse was moved to Kentucky in February from Texas, where he had been located for his entire breeding career. All breeding was done artificially with no history of natural service.

During the 2008 breeding sea-

son, 22 stallions from various states were bred on the farm. Thirteen of the stallions were relocated to other states, and one was relocated to another facility in Kentucky. The index stallion was bred to 44 mares both on the farm and by shipped semen.

Contagious equine metritis is a transmissible, exotic venereal disease in horses. It usually results in infertility in mares and, on rare occasions, can cause mares to spontaneously abort. Infected stallions exhibit no clinical signs, but can carry the CEM bacteria for years. CEM is commonly transmitted during sexual intercourse, but also may be transmitted indirectly through artificial insemination or contact with contaminated hands or objects.

There is no evidence that CEM affects people.

CEM can be treated with disinfectants and antibiotics. CEM-positive mares and mares from CEM-positive countries in Kentucky are required by state regu-

lations to go through a treatment protocol and remain in quarantine for no less than 21 days. Stallions in Kentucky that have CEM or come from a CEM-positive country also are required to remain quarantined until a treatment protocol is completed and they test negative for the disease.

The first cases of CEM in the United States were diagnosed in central Kentucky in 1978. Another outbreak occurred in Missouri in 1979. The disease was eradicated rapidly in both outbreaks.

Kentucky's horse industry has a total estimated economic impact of \$4 billion a year, according to a 2005 study by the American Horse Council. The horse industry generates an estimated 80,000-100,000 jobs, and another 14,000 jobs come from tourism businesses related to the horse industry. Kentucky farm cash receipts for equine, including stud fees, are estimated at \$900 million for 2008.

4-H Horse Club meeting set Jan. 6

The 4-H Horse Club, Morgan's Riders 4-H Club, will be having a meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at 6 p.m., at the Morgan County Extension Office. For more information contact Kim Cox at 743-3292. C-12-25-2t

Monthly 4-H crafts workshop for youth

The January 4-H crafts workshop will be offered for any youth, ages 7-19, on January 14 at the Morgan County Extension Office, from 4 to 5 p.m. Refreshments will be available for the youth for free. This workshop is free and loads of fun. The youth will have a variety of crafts to make and will be able to use them as gifts or entries for the 2009 County Fair. These monthly 4-H craft workshops will be offered the second Wednesday of each month for those youth who are interested, so mark your calendars.

Watch night service at Index Com. Church

The annual Morgan County Ministerial Association Watch night service will be held at the Index Community Church this year. It will begin at 8 p.m. Dec. 31. There will be dinner, music, and much more. Join us for great time of praise for 2008 and looking to a great year in 2009.

WORDS OF WISDOM

In politics, if you want anything said, ask a man — if you want anything done, ask a woman. —Margaret Thatcher

Morgan Co. Extension Council meeting set

There will be a County Extension Council meeting on Monday, January 12, at 5 p.m. at the Morgan County Extension Office. The council will be looking at new ideas and changes for the upcoming Farm, Home, Family night and membership. Please make arrangements to attend and for more information contact the Extension office at 743-3292. C-12-25-3t

Morgan Co. 4-H Youth Dev. Council meeting set

There will be a 4-H Council meeting on Thursday, Jan. 15, at 12 p.m., at the Morgan County Extension Office. The council will be looking at upcoming programs and budget. C-12-25-4t

4-H members eligible to receive cost share grant

Morgan County 4-H members, ages 7-19, will be eligible to receive up to \$500 cost share grant to implement a 4-H livestock and agricultural projects. This agriculture project can be used to purchase livestock, i.e. goat, sheep, beef, dairy, chickens, hogs or raising crops. There can only be one project animal per child. The grant must be matched by the youth dollar for dollar and a receipt must be submitted before reimbursement or a bill to be paid directly to a vendor. Grants will then be available at Morgan County Extension office on January 5th, and the deadline for the applications will be January 29th at 4:30 p.m. For more information call Kim Cox at 743-3292. C-12-25-2t

Snow and ice removal priorities

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet's Department of Highways has established priority routes for snow and ice removal for the upcoming winter season in Morgan County.

The Department of Highways is responsible for keeping approximately 255 miles of state-maintained roadway in Morgan County passable in inclement weather. It sets snow removal priorities according to the amount and nature of traffic on the routes within each individual county. Priority A routes include major through routes and are those most heavily traveled. Priority B routes include other important, but lesser traveled, routes in the county. Other roads fall into Priority C.


In Morgan County, Priority A highways are the Bert T. Combs Mountain Parkway, US 460, KY 7, KY 203, KY 205, KY 519 and a portion of KY 172. Priority B routes include KY 134, KY 191, KY 1010 and portions of KY 172, KY 705, KY 772 and KY 946. Other routes are Priority C.

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God give me eyes that I might see, the work that can be done by me. God, give me ears that I might hear, the cry of those who need me near. God, give me lips that I might speak comfort and peace to all who seek God, give me hands that I might do something large, or simple task for you and this one thing, all else above, God give me heart that I might love.

(Submitted by Alpha Clevenger)

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Brusby Fork Church, Caney, Ky. Services fourth Saturday at 1:00 pm and fourth Sunday at 10:00 am each month. Hobert Dunn, pastor.

West Liberty Church Of God, 568 Glenn Ave., West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 743-4161. Gary Fields, pastor. Parsonage: 743-2632. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday night 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm Bible study for all age groups.

Hazel Green Christian Church, P.O. Box 66, Hazel Green, KY 41332. Bro. David Fields, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm.

Catholic Church of the Good Shepherd, 525 Main St., Campton, KY. Phone 668-3731. Sunday Mass 12:30 pm; Wednesday evening 5:30 pm.

Faith Baptist Church, Caney, KY 41402, phone 743-4966, parsonage phone 768-2415. Bro. Mick Harden, pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday disciples group training service 5:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday night mission friends, GA's, acteen's RA's, adult Bible study 6:00 pm.

Old Grassy Christian Church, US-460, Mize, KY 41352. Carl Roller, pastor. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Martha Enterprise Baptist Church, approximately 3 miles up KY-589 off KY-172. Services second weekend each month. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Every Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. Roger Ball, pastor.

Redeemed Old Regular Baptist Church, Caney, KY. Elder Roy Collett, pastor. Services third weekend of each month. Saturday 6:30 pm. Sunday 9:30 am.

Wells Chapel Church Of God, Stacy Fork, KY. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 6:00 pm. Rev. Ivan Hinton, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Wells Creek Enterprise Baptist Church, Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every second Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Joe Gilliam, pastor. Ruley Wagner, assistant pastor.

Union Enterprise Church, Williams Creek, KY. Sunday morning 9:30 am to 10:30 am every Sunday morning. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. First Saturday and Sunday each month. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Trivis Ison, pastor, welcomes everyone.

Walnut Grove Community Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening prayer service 7:00 pm. Scott Litton, pastor. Eddie Keeton, assistant pastor.

Sandy Hook First Baptist Church, phone 738-6320. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm.

Mize Community Church, 1 mile west of Mize, KY. John Oldfield Jr. pastor, 1176 Hwy. 946, Ezel, KY 41425, phone 606-725-5622. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm.

Old Time Religion Church, 1957 Flat-Mary Rd., Campton, KY 41301. Douglas Dunn, pastor, phone 668-9168.

Daysboro Church Of Christ, Daysboro, KY, phone 743-3906. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 6:30 pm.

Watson Enterprise Baptist Church, HC 75, Sandy Hook, KY. Larry Dale Ison, pastor. Mike Gilliam, assistant pastor. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Campton Church Of Christ, Rt. 35, Box 405, Campton, KY 41301, phone 668-6531.

Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1266 East Main Street, Jackson, KY. 10:00 am Saturday worship. 6:00 pm Tuesday Bible study. Phone (606) 295-3512.

Lick Fork Pentecostal Church, Saturday evening 7:30 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Congregation invites all. Everyone welcome.

Rocky Branch Full Gospel Church Of God, 3 miles north of Campton on KY-746. Sunday morning 10:00 am. Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Denzil Lykins, pastor, phone 668-3643.

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Bethany Baptist Church, War Creek, KY. Sunday School 9:45 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every Sunday. Every third Saturday of each month Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Rick Pelfrey, pastor.

Stark United Methodist Church, Sunday morning 9:30 am. Sunday School 10:30 am. Friday youth group 7:00 pm. Friday adult Bible study 7:00 pm. Warren Vanover, pastor.

Ezel United Presbyterian Church, Ezel, KY 41425, phone 725-4215. Sunday morning 10:00 am. All ages welcome.

Cannel City First Church Of God, Cannel City, KY, phone 743-7395. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday evening 6:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

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Index Community Church, Rt. 1 Box 210, West Liberty, KY 41472 (intersection KY-191 & US-460), phone 743-4733. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday youth hour 6:30 pm. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Mike Frisby, pastor. Eddy Dennison, assistant pastor.

Sandy Hook United Methodist Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Rev. Warren Vanover, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Red River Community Church, Hazel Green, KY 41332, phone 662-6947. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday prayer service 7:00 pm. Rev. Charles Glover, pastor.

Prince Of Peace Catholic Church, 163 Pine Acres Drive just off Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Sunday Mass 9:00 am. Father Frank Brawner pastor. Phone 743-3266 office; 743-4817 rectory.

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Quillens Church Of God, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Lester Spencer, pastor. Phone 668-6435.

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New Salem Church, Moon, KY. 1/4 mile off KY-172 on KY-1715. Every third Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Bro. James Wallin, pastor. Bro. Kevin Williams, assistant pastor. Everyone welcome.

Lick Branch Enterprise Baptist Church, two miles off US-460 up Old KY-172. Every fourth weekend of each month. Saturday night business 6:30 pm. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Bro. Joe O. Jenkins, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Neal Howards Creek Community Church, Tuesday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Every third Thursday ladies and men's meeting 7:00 pm. Dean Lewis, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Lacy Creek Church Of Christ, 2-1/2 miles off US-460 on KY-364, Cottle, KY. Phone 743-2380. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday evening 6:00 pm. Scott Rogers, interim pastor.

Newcombe Valley First Enterprise Baptist Church, Isonville, KY. First Saturday each month 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Ladies Bible study/prayer group Wednesday 1:00 pm. Mike Adkins, pastor. Darrell O'Hare, assistant pastor.

Tar Ridge Church Of God, Wolfe County. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:45 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday prayer service 7:00 pm. Bro. Adam Hays, pastor.

New Hope Baptist Church, Gordon Ford. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:30 pm. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Bro. George Oney, pastor.

Church Of Free Worship, Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday School 11:00 am. Sunday morning 12:00 noon. Stanley Rigby, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Old 519 Full Gospel Church, Saturday evening 6:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm.

Tom's Branch Community Church, KY-772, West Liberty, KY. Sunday morning 11:00 am; Sunday evening Bible Study 7:00 pm; Thursday evening service 7:00 pm; every third Saturday evening fellowship dinner 6:00 pm and church service at 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome. Pastor Jeff Montgomery, Assistant Pastor Woody Bowman.

White Oak Christian Church Disciples Of Christ, White Oak, KY 41474, phone 743-4127. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am.

Ezel Church Of God, Ezel, KY 41425, phone 725-5721.

Lee City First Church Of God, Lee City, KY, phone 662-6221. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Rev. Stanley Burnett, pastor. Everyone welcome.

Centerville Community Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Harry Flannery, pastor.

Vortex Pentecostal Church, Thursday evening 7:00 pm. Rev. Leonard Cole, pastor.

Grace Baptist Church, Malone, KY. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday discipleship training 5:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study 6:00 pm. Bro. Mike Lindon, pastor.

Redbush Enterprise Baptist Church, Redbush, KY. Second Saturday evening fellowship service 6:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm every third Sunday. Bro. Gerald Fyffe, pastor.

Hope Enterprise Baptist Church, KY-650, Doctor's Branch, Sandy Hook, KY. Every second Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Weekly Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:00 am. Wednesday Bible Study prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Ronnie Mayse, pastor. Everyone welcome!

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Sandfield Community Church, Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday Bible study 6:30 pm. Mike Brooks, pastor. Harold Stamper, assistant pastor.

Bethany Community Church, Bethany, KY. Sunday School 9:30 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Wednesday evening 7:00 pm. Daniel Wendell, pastor. Phone 668-3703.

Broadway First Church Of God, West Liberty, KY 41472, phone 743-3759. Sunday School 10:00 am. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30 pm. Bro. Jessie Rogers, pastor.

Apostolic Church Of Jesus Christ, Lytten, KY. Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Sunday evening 7:00 pm. Denzil B. Fannin, pastor. Phone 738-6384.

Grassy Creek Pentecostal Church, Saturday evening 7:00 pm. Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Johnnie Davis, pastor.

Wallowhole Independent Baptist Church, Second Saturday evening each month 7:00 pm. Second Sunday morning each month 10:30 am. Every Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Thursday prayer meeting 7:00 pm.

Spring Branch Baptist Church, 100 Spring Branch Rd., Campton, KY 41301. Pastor Ron Lucas, 606-668-9229. Sunday School, 10:00 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am. Every Sunday evening 6:00 pm. Wednesday night Bible Study, 7:00 pm.

Horton Flats Community Baptist Church, 1.6 miles off KY-7 on KY-3353, Horton Flats Road. Sunday School 9:30 am. Sunday morning 10:30 am.

Wrigley Baptist Mission, KY-7, Wrigley, KY. Sunday morning 10:00 am (classes for every age plus deaf class). Sunday morning 11:00 am. Wednesday Bible study 7:00 pm. Everyone welcome.

Fannin Enterprise Baptist Church, 557 Ruin Road, Sandy Hook, KY. First Saturday evening each month at 7:00 pm. Every Sunday morning at 10:30 am. Wednesday prayer meeting 7:00 pm. Minister: Will L. Jones. Senior Stafford pastor. and Jason Ison assistant pastor.

Crockett Primitive Baptist Church, KY-706, Pastor Hershel Wright and Charles T. Wright invite everyone to attend. Sunday School at 10:00 am. Sunday worship service at 11:30 am. Wednesday night fellowship at 7:00 pm.

Campton Christian Church, 312 Main St., Campton, KY 41301, phone 606-362-9277. Sunday morning 11:00 am. Tuesday Bible study, 6:30 pm. Minister: Will L. Jones. Senior Stafford pastor. and Jason Ison assistant pastor.

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Morgan County Fiscal Court will hold a Pre-bid Conference for the County Animal Shelter, on Wednesday, January 7, 2008, at 11 a.m. The meeting will be held at the County Judge/Executive's Office, 450 Prestonsburg Street, West Liberty, Kentucky 41472.

Any interested contractor must be present at the pre-bid conference in order to bid the project.

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PUBLIC HEARING

The West Liberty Airport intends to extend the Runway 5 end and 140 feet and extend the safety area beyond the Runway 5 end by 240 feet. To accommodate the improvement projects, approximately five acres of land would need to be acquired and Dogwood Lane would have to be relocated. In accordance with FAA policies, an Environmental Assessment, Form "C" has been prepared to evaluate the environmental issues pertaining to this project. This advertisement serves notice that the West Liberty-Morgan County Airport Board will hold a Public Hearing on January 29th, 2009 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Ground Level Conference Room at the Morgan County Office Building located at 450 Prestonsburg Street in West Liberty, Kentucky.

This hearing is held for the purpose of considering the economic, social and environmental effects of the proposed action. Copies of the Environmental Assessment will be made available at the Morgan County Public Library at 151 University Drive in West Liberty, Kentucky. For further information contact: Aaron Brasswell at 615-238-2730.
C-12-25-1t

NOTICE OF
FINAL SETTLEMENT

Notice is hereby given that Kimberly Carol Harvey, of the Estate of Carmey Lewis, has filed a Final Settlement with the Morgan County District Court. Anyone wishing to make any exceptions to this Final Settlement must do so on or before 10:00 a.m. January 20, 2009, the date of the hearing.

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NOTICE OF
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Notice is hereby given on this 16th day of December, 2008, that Lisa A. Cantrell has been appointed Limited Guardian In Re: of Berry A. Ward, a minor.

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CHRISTMAS THOUGHTS

I am thinking of you today because it is Christmas, and I wish you happiness and tomorrow because it will be the day after Christmas. I shall still wish you happiness. I may not be able to tell you about it every day because I may be far away or we may be very busy. But that makes no difference. My thoughts and my wishes will be with you just the same. Whatever joy or success comes to you will make me glad. Clear through the year. I wish you the spirit of Christmas. May the love, hope and peace of Christmas abide with you now and throughout the New Year.

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Macey Daniel, youngest member of West Liberty First Baptist Church F.R.O.G.S. (Forgive-Respect-Obey-Giving-Service) Club, enjoyed giving out candy canes, along with eating one. She is shown with Appalachian Regional Hospital's Wendy Lykins.



First Baptist Church C.A.T.S. Club visits nursing home

West Liberty First Baptist Church C.A.T.S. (Christ-Always-Trustworthy-Savior) Club visited the nursing home recently and passed out Christmas ornaments and candy canes to residents. Shown above, back row, Becky Cook. Front row, Allison Keeton, Kristen Collins, Tre' Lykins, and Shelby Keeton. Their leaders are Rob Kelsey and Billie Cook.

Local school reps celebrate progress in cancer research

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Representatives from the Morgan County Schools participated with other educators from across the state in the third annual DataSeam Technical Institute last week in Louisville. Three days of workshops and training classes were highlighted at Wednesday's lunch attended by over 100 superintendents, technicians and university leaders, including University of Louisville President, Dr. James Ramsey.

Dr. John O. Trent, Director of Molecular Modeling at the University of Louisville's James Graham Brown Cancer Center thrilled the crowd as he described the results of research completed by using computers located in schools — including Morgan County schools — across the state. According to Dr. Trent, 14 potential drug compounds were discovered and the computers were supporting the work of 12 research teams at the Brown Cancer Center.

While Dr. Trent cautioned that the drug development process is a long and uncertain process, he pointed out that this program was potentially trimming years off the discovery phase of the process. The Brown Cancer Center at the University of Louisville now boasts one of the largest pipelines of potential new drugs of any cancer center.

The University of Louisville has been using the DataSeam Grid, which connects computers in 52 Kentucky school districts to help researchers accelerate important discoveries. Morgan County Schools participate in the program locally.

In addition to the research, DataSeam Executive Director, Brian Gupton, outlined the education and technical programs supported by the nearly 10,000 school computers. "New computers and associated programs help teachers prepare students for ca-

reers in Kentucky's 21st century economy," according to Gupton. "It is vital that we home-grow our next generation of scientists here in the state."

School Superintendents who attended the lunch earned their school district five new computers to support research and local education efforts in the classroom. They also learned about hundreds of additional computers now being distributed to schools along with information on a scholarship program specifically for schools participating in the Kentucky DataSeam Initiative.

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My wife and I are still living in Fairborn, Ohio, and we have been for 43 years. Our son is still a Beavercreek, Ohio, police sergeant on midnights, and our daughter-in-law teaches special education at Tecumseh High School near Springfield, Ohio. Our oldest granddaughter turned sixteen last Saturday and got her driver's license the same day. Our youngest granddaughter will be thirteen in March, and our grandson turned seven in November. We enjoy our grandchildren a great deal.

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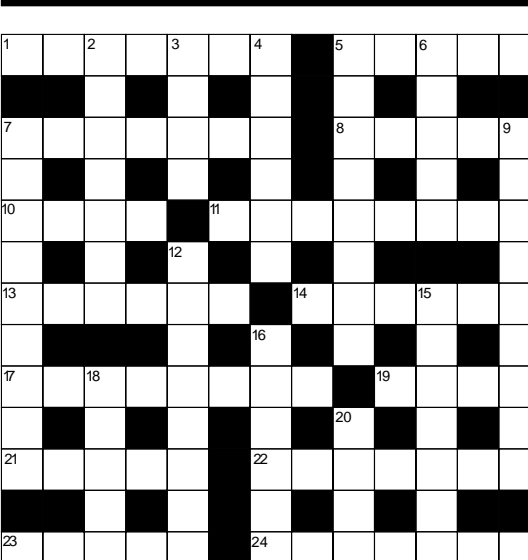
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| FRIDAY EVENING December 19 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBC 3 | News | NBC | Fortune | Jeo- | Momma's Boys | | Dateline NBC | | | | News | Tonight |
| CBS 4 | News | CBS | Fortune | Jeo- | Ghost Whisperer | | NUMB3RS | | NUMB3RS | | News | Late |
| ABC 6 | News | ABC | Enter- | Extra | Wife Swap | | Supernanny | | 20/20 | | News | Night- |
| PBS 7 | Math | Busi- | News-Lehrer | | Com- | Group | Wash | NOW | Bill Moyers | | BBC | Ky Life |
| NBC 8 | News | NBC | Inside | Holly- | Momma's Boys | | Dateline NBC | | | | News | Tonight |
| WGN 9 | 7th Heaven | | | | Yogi's First Christmas | | | | WGN News | | Scrubs | Scrubs |
| FOX 11 | Deal No | Deal No | Two | Two | You Smarter? | | Don't Forget | | News | | Simp- | Fam |
| CBS 12 | News | CBS | Legends | King | Ghost Whisperer | | NUMB3RS | | NUMB3RS | | News | Sports |
| TBS 13 | Ray | Friends | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Fam | Fam | Anchorman: Legend of Ron | | Sex & Sex | | Sex & Sex | |
| ENC 14 | FirstKni- | 1/2 Armageddon | (1998) | | | | Crash | | Crash | | Stargate | |
| FAM 15 | My Wife | My Wife | Miser Brothers | | ** The Santa Clause 2 (2002) | | ** The Santa Clause 2 (2002) | | | | | |
| LIFE 16 | Reba | Rita | Reba | Still | Reba | Reba | *** White Christmas (1954) | | Will | | Will | |
| A&E 17 | Cold Case Files | CSI: Miami | | | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | Criminal Minds | |
| SHOW 19 | Inside the NFL | * The Ex (2006) | | | Weeds | Weeds | Californ | | Dexter | | Inside the NFL | |
| DISN 20 | Mon- | Mon- | Mon- | Mon- | Camp Rock (2008) | | Phineas | | Wizards | Life | Suite | Mon- |
| MAX 21 | ** Balls of Fury (2007) | | ** 1/2 The Mexican (2001) | | | | *** American Gangster (2007) | | | | | |
| HBO 22 | * Wild Wild West (1999) | | | | Costas NOW | | Shoot 'Em Up | | Little | Chris | | |
| AMC 24 | *** The Untouchables (1987) | | | | *** 1/2 Casino (1995) | | | | | | | |
| USA 25 | NCIS | | NCIS | | House | | House | | House | | House | |
| DSC 26 | Cash | Cash | Made | Made | Man vs. Wild | | Survivorman | | Survivorman | | Made | Made |
| ESPN 27 | SportsCenter | | | | NBA Basketball: Lakers at Heat | | | | NBA Basketball | | | |
| TNT 32 | Law & Order | | Law & Order | | *** Shrek (2001) | | *** Monster House (2006) | | | | NatLm- | |
| SCI 33 | Stargate SG-1 | | Sanctuary | | Sanctuary | | Sanctuary | | Sanctuary | | Stargate Atlantis | |

| SATURDAY EVENING December 20 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBC 3 | News | NBC | Fortune | Cash | Crusoe | | WWE Tribute | | Law & Order: SVU | | News | SNL |
| CBS 4 | News | CBS | Fortune | Jeo- | *** Elf (2003) | | | | 48 Hours Mystery | | News | Late |
| ABC 6 | ABC | News | Ent. Tonight | | Charlie Brown | | Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat | | News | WWE | | |
| PBS 7 | Lawrence Welk | Louis- | Red | | Ky Life | Ken- | *** 1/2 Life With Father (1947) | | Austin City Limits | | | |
| NBC 8 | News | NBC | Storms | Paid | Crusoe | | WWE Tribute | | Law & Order: SVU | | News | SNL |
| WGN 9 | Becker | Becker | Boston Legal | | It's a Very Merry Muppet Christmas | | Feed-Children | | Scrubs | | Scrubs | |
| FOX 11 | Holiday-Parade | Per- | Two | | Cops | Cops | Most Wanted | | News | | MADtv | |
| CBS 12 | News | CBS | King | East KY | *** Elf (2003) | | | | 48 Hours Mystery | | News | Basket- |
| TBS 13 | Frank | Ray | King | King | ** Men in Black II (2002) | | Talladega Nights: Ricky Bobby | | Sword- | | | |
| ENC 14 | *** Shanghai Noon (2000) | | | | *** 1/2 The Fugitive (1993) | | *** Remember the Titans (2000) | | | | | |
| FAM 15 | *** The Family Man (2000) | | | | Christmas in Wonderland (2007) | | Christmas in Wonderland (2007) | | | | | |
| LIFE 16 | Different-C'mas | | A Christmas Wedding (2006) | | A Very Merry Daughter of the Bride | | | | Medium | | | |
| A&E 17 | Cold Case Files | CSI: Miami | | | CSI: Miami | | The Sopranos | | The Sopranos | | | |
| SHOW 19 | Em- | The Lather Effect (2006) | | | Dexter | | *** Lonely Hearts (2006) | | Shooter | | | |
| DISN 20 | Suite | Suite | Suite | Mon- | Cory | Suite | *** Spy Kids (2001) | | Suite | Suite | Mon- | |
| MAX 21 | Deep Blue Sea | | | | *** Knocked Out (2007) | | | | *** Definitely, Maybe (2008) | | | |
| HBO 22 | PS | The Simpsons Movie | | | The Bucket List | | ** 1/2 The Kingdom (2007) | | Katie | | | |
| AMC 24 | *** Posse (1993) Cont'd | | | | *** Jeremiah Johnson (1972) | | | | Ride With the Devil | | | |
| USA 25 | Along | *** Bruce Almighty (2003) | | | ** The Break-Up (2006) | | | | Law Order: CI | | | |
| DSC 26 | Dirty Jobs | | Noah's Ark | | Sodom | Exodus | | | Shroud | | Made | Made |
| ESPN 27 | College Basketball | | | | College Football: Pioneer Las Vegas Bowl -- Arizona vs. BYU | | | | Sports- | | | |
| TNT 32 | *** 1/2 Shrek (2001) | | | | **** The Wizard of Oz (1939) | | **** The Wizard of Oz (1939) | | | | | |
| SCI 33 | Sands-Oblivion | | ** The Scorpion King (2002) | | | | Lost Treasure of the Grand Canyon | | Sound-Thunder | | | |

| SUNDAY EVENING December 21 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBC 3 | News | NBC | Football Night | | NFL Football: Carolina Panthers at New York Giants | | | | | | News | |
| CBS 4 | News | Maga- | 60 Minutes | | Million Dollar | | Cold Case | | The Unit | | News | Dan |
| ABC 6 | ABC | News | Home Videos | | Extreme-Home | | Extreme-Home | | Housewives | | News | Jim |
| PBS 7 | Work- | Garden | Keep | Summer | Time- | May | Masterpiece Contemporary | | Bookclub at KET | | | |
| NBC 8 | News | NBC | Football Night | | NFL Football: Carolina Panthers at New York Giants | | | | | | News | |
| WGN 9 | Man Svd Cmas | WKRP | WKRP | | Newhart | Newhart | Honey- | Honey- | News | Replay | Bewitch | Bewitch |
| FOX 11 | NFL Football | | The OT | | Simp- | King-Hill | Fam | Amer | News | | Free- | Motor |
| CBS 12 | News | CBS | 60 Minutes | | Million Dollar | | Cold Case | | The Unit | | News | Ky |
| TBS 13 | *** Men in Black II (2002) | | | | *** 1/2 Sahara (2005) | | | | *** 1/2 Sahara (2005) | | | |
| ENC 14 | *** Casper (1995) | | | | * 1/2 Wild Hogs (2007) | | ** Under Siege 2 (1995) | | Gros- | | | |
| FAM 15 | *** 1/2 The Incredibles (2004) | | | | *** Cars (2006) | | | | Without Santa | | | |
| LIFE 16 | Comfort and Joy | | Undercover Christmas (2003) | | A Christmas Proposal (2008) | | | | Grey's Anatomy | | | |
| A&E 17 | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | CSI: Miami | | | |
| SHOW 19 | ** 1/2 Black Snake Moan (2007) | | | | Brotherhood | | Weeds | Ullman | Penn | Am. Life | Brotherhood | |
| DISN 20 | Wizards | Wizards | Suite | Mon- | Mon- | Wizards | Spy Kids 3: Game Over | | Suite | Suite | Mon- | |
| MAX 21 | *** 1/2 Juno (2007) | | | | *** Definitely, Maybe (2008) | | *** Space Cowboys (2000) | | | | | |
| HBO 22 | ** The Bucket List (2007) | | | | *** Transformers (2007) | | Summer | | I Am Legend | | | |
| AMC 24 | *** 1/2 JFK (1991) Cont'd | | | | ** Pearl Harbor (2001) | | | | Midway | | | |
| USA 25 | Monk | | House | | House | | House | | House | | Law Order: CI | |
| DSC 26 | Dirty Jobs | | Dirty Jobs | | Dirty Jobs | | Dirty Jobs | | Dirty Jobs | | Dirty Jobs | |
| ESPN 27 | Series of Poker | | SportsCenter | | College Football: New Orleans Bowl -- Southern Mississippi vs. Troy | | | | Sports- | | | |
| TNT 32 | **** The Wizard of Oz (1939) | | | | Yours, Mine & Ours | | **** The Wizard of Oz (1939) | | | | | |
| SCI 33 | Scor- | | *** Dick Tracy (1990) | | | | ** 1/2 The Hulk (2003) | | | | | |

| MONDAY EVENING December 22 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| NBC 3 | News | NBC | Fortune | Jeo- | Today-2008 | | Momma's Boys | | | | News | Tonight |
| CBS 4 | News | CBS | College Basketball | | | | Two | Worst | CSI: Miami | | News | Late |
| ABC 6 | News | ABC | Enter- | Extra | Shrek | | Charlie and the Chocolate Factory | | | | News | Night- |
| PBS 7 | Travels | Busi- | News-Lehrer | | Today-2008 | | Life a House Built | | Frontline | | BBC | Ky Life |
| NBC 8 | News | NBC | Inside | Holly- | Ky Future | | Momma's Boys | | | | News | Tonight |
| WGN 9 | 7th Heaven | | 7th Heaven | | Flinstones | | Special | | WGN News | | Scrubs | Scrubs |
| FOX 11 | Deal No | Deal No | Two | Two | House | | Prison Break | | News | | Simp- | Fam |
| CBS 12 | News | CBS | College Basketball | | | | Two | Worst | CSI: Miami | | News | Late |
| TBS 13 | Ray | Friends | Seinfeld | Seinfeld | Fam | Fam | Fam | Name | Name | | Friends | Funnyest |
| ENC 14 | ** 1/2 Dying Young (1991) | | | | ** 1/2 Vacancy (2007) | | ** 1/2 U-571 (2000) | | | | Animal | |
| FAM 15 | *** The Polar Express (2004) | | | | *** The Polar Express (2004) | | | | | | The 700 Club | |
| LIFE 16 | Reba | Reba | Still | Still | Reba | Reba | ** Call Me Claus (2001) | | Will | | Will | |
| A&E 17 | Cold Case Files | CSI: Miami | | | Intervention | | Intervention | | Runa- | Man- | Man- | |
| SHOW 19 | Blood | *** 1/2 Zodiac (2007) | | | | | Boys of 2nd Street Park | | Brotherhood | | | |
| DISN 20 | Suite | Suite | Suite | Mon- | Full-Court Miracle | | Phineas | | Wizards | Life | Suite | Mon- |
| MAX 21 | Alpha | Jet Li's Fearless | | | ** X-Men (2000) | | | | *** Definitely, Maybe (2008) | | | |
| HBO 22 | Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee | | | | My Zinc Bed (2008) | | House of Saddam | | | | Saddam | |
| AMC 24 | ** Pearl Harbor (2001) Cont'd | | | | *** 1/2 The Right Stuff (1983) | | | | | | | |
| USA 25 | NCIS | | NCIS | | House | | WWE Monday Night Raw | | Psych | | | |
| DSC 26 | Sodom | | Exodus | | Jesus-Complete | | Jesus-Complete | | Jesus-Complete | | Noah's Ark | |
| ESPN 27 | SportsCenter | | Monday Night Countdown | | NFL Football: Green Bay Packers at Chicago Bears | | | | Sports- | | | |
| TNT 32 | Law & Order | | Law & Order | | Law & Order | | Law & Order | | The Closer | | | |
| SCI 33 | ** 1/2 The Hulk (2003) | | | | | | ** Jeepers Creepers 2 (2003) | | Gundam | | Gundam | |

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| NBC 3 | News | NBC | Fortune | Jeo- | Law & Order | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | News | Tonight |
| CBS 4 | News | CBS | Fortune | Jeo- | Home-Holid | | NCIS | | The Mentalist | | News | Late |
| ABC 6 | News | ABC | Enter- | Extra | Grinch Stole | | Rediscovered | | ABC's the List | | News | Night- |
| PBS 7 | Burt | Busi- | News-Lehrer | | Nova | | | | Globe Trekker | | BBC | Ky Life |
| NBC 8 | News | NBC | Inside | Holly- | Law & Order | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | News | Tonight |
| WGN 9 | 7th Heaven | | 7th Heaven | | NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Detroit Pistons | | | | News | | Scrubs | Scrubs |

COURIER SPORTS



4-H Shooting Sports Club donates to Children's Christmas Fund

Morgan-Elliott 4-H Shooting Sports held its banquet Sunday, Dec. 14. The club presented Lowell Adkins a check for the Morgan County Law Enforcement Children's Christmas Fund as part of their community service. The members also donated more than 40 toys to the Dear Santa program.

| 2008-2009 MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE | |
|---|-------------|
| Nov. 24 Russell Pan-o-Rama | Russell |
| Nov. 28 East Carter Pan-o-Rama | East Carter |
| Dec. 1 Magoffin County | Home |
| Dec. 5 Elliott County (B/G Doubleheader) | Away |
| Dec. 6 Raceland (EKC Conf. Showcase) | Away |
| Dec. 9 West Carter | Home |
| Dec. 22 East Carter | Away |
| Dec. 27-30 Queen of the Bluegrass .. | East Carter |
| Jan. 5 Bath County | Home |
| Jan. 9 Pike County Central | Home |
| Jan. 10 Russell (Commercial Bank Showcase) | Home |
| Jan. 12 Rowan County | Home |
| Jan. 15 Ashland Blazer | Away |
| Jan. 17 East Carter | Home |
| Jan. 19 West Carter | Away |
| Jan. 23 Fleming Co. (B/G Doubleheader) ... | Away |
| Jan. 24 Lewis County | Home |
| Jan. 27 Menifee County | Away |
| Jan. 31 Raceland | Home |
| Feb. 7 Lawrence County | Away |
| Feb. 10 Elliott County (B/G Doubleheader) . | Home |
| Feb. 14 Greenup County | Away |
| Feb. 16 Breathitt County | Away |
| Feb. 20 Boyd County | Home |
| Feb. 23 Montgomery County | Away |

| 2008-2009 MORGAN COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL SCHEDULE | |
|---|----------------|
| Nov. 22 Jack Fultz Pan-o-Rama | West Carter |
| Nov. 25 Paintsville (Scrimmage) | Paintsville |
| Dec. 5 Elliott County | Away |
| Dec. 13 Raceland (EKC Showcase) | Lewis Co. |
| Dec. 16 Rose Hill | Home |
| Dec. 20 East Carter | Home |
| Dec. 28-30 Coca-Cola University Holiday Classic vs. Carroll County | Campbellsville |
| Jan. 3 Greenup County | Away |
| Jan. 8 Rowan County | Away |
| Jan. 10 Magoffin Co. (Commercial Bank Hoops Showcase) | Home |
| Jan. 13 Russell | Home |
| Jan. 16 East Carter | Away |
| Jan. 20 West Carter | Away |
| Jan. 23 Fleming County | Away |
| Jan. 26 Elliott County | Home |
| Jan. 29 Fairview | Home |
| Jan. 30 Lewis County | Away |
| Feb. 3 Bath County | Home |
| Feb. 6 West Carter | Home |
| Feb. 7 Boyd County | Away |
| Feb. 10 Montgomery County | Home |
| Feb. 13 Raceland | Home |
| Feb. 19 Magoffin County | Away |

Cougars beat Rose Hill, play East Carter tough at home

Defense keeps Morgan in game against one of region's top teams

By David Patrick
Morgan County - 62
Rose Hill - 45

Mikie Fyffe scored 22 pints and grabbed four rebounds to lead host Morgan County to a 62-45 win over Rose Hill at Veterans Memorial Stadium on Dec. 16.

Fyffe, who hit on nine of 12 attempts from the field, scored 14 of his points in the second half as the Cougars blew open a nine point lead at intermission. Fyffe and Cameron Dunn each hit three-pointers in the fourth period as Morgan scored a game-high 24 points.

The Cougars led by six points at the end of one quarter, thanks to three-point baskets by Joel Nickell and Jarrad Smith. Fyffe then scored half of Morgan's 12 second-quarter points.

Dunn and Tyler Adkins finished with 13 and 12 points, respectively, including a combined 14-of-14 from the free-throw line.

Eat Carter - 47
Morgan County - 38

Colt Barnhill scored nine of his 13 points in the first half as East Carter withstood a late charge from Morgan County for a nine-point win in West Liberty on Dec. 22

The Raiders, who came into the season projected as the region's second-best team, were pushed to the limit by the Cougars. East led by only one point after eight minutes before outscoring Morgan 15-5 in the second period for an 11-point halftime lead.



Photo By Kent Nickell
Cougar Cameron Dunn (No. 10) maneuvers in the lane during Cougars' 62-45 win over with Rose Hill.

But the defense tightened as the Cougars held East to only three field goals in the third quarter. Jerrad Smith's three- pointer, coupled with baskets from Mikie Fyffe and Cameron Dunn, trimmed the deficit to 33-26 heading into the final eight minutes.

East managed just two baskets in the fourth quarter, but converted 10 of 16 from the line to seal the win. Caleb Adams, who failed to score through three

quarters, hit a perfect four-of-four. Kyle Blair added three-of-four from the stripe to finish with 10 points.

Cameron Dunn scored a team-high 10 points for Morgan, while Mikie Fyffe and Tanner Roy added nine and eight, respectively. Coming off a career shooting night versus Rose Hill, Fyffe struggled against East—hitting just two of 11 from the field. Smith scored all five of his points in the second half, while pulling down four rebounds.

Eagle catches fire as Morgan routes Wolfe County, 70-48

Henry adds 16 points and six rebounds

By David Patrick

Leslie Eagle narrowly missed a double-double (28 points, nine rebounds) as Morgan County beat visiting Wolfe County, 70-48.

Eagle dominated throughout the game, scoring eight points in each of the first two quarters as Morgan held an eight-point lead at intermission. The Lady Cougar guard got plenty of help in

the third quarter from Tessa Henry and Monica McCowan, combining for 11 points, including a three-point goal by Henry. Eagle added another five points of her own as Jeff Brown's team pushed the lead to 15.

Eagle then put the game away with three baskets in the fourth quarter. A three-pointer by Henry and four free-throws from McCowan helped Morgan to a 16-point period and a 22-point win.

Eagle finished the game, hit-

ting 10-of-20 from the field and eight-of-10 from the free-throw line. She also had five offensive rebounds, three steals and two deflections.

Henry's stat line was quite impressive as well, converting seven of 13 shots, including both of her three-point attempts. Henry also pulled down six rebounds.

Brittany Stamper led the Lady Cougars with 10 boards, while Mary Beth Harmon finished with seven.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Leslie Eagle

MCHS Girls' Basketball Team

This week's athlete of the week is Leslie Eagle of the Morgan County Lady Cougar basketball team. With 0:03 to go in regulation vs. East Carter and the Lady Cougars trailing 42-40, Eagle took the inbounds pass and drove to the basket where she would release the ball just before the horn, banked it in and tied the game to send it into overtime. The Lady Cougars would prevail in overtime 51-44 and get a dramatic district win. Congratulations to Leslie Eagle and the Morgan County Lady Cougars!



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Weblink listed for Crase's game in the Alamo Dome

Following is the link for the webcast which will carry Walker Crase's U.S. Army All-American Bowl game in the Alamo Dome. The game will be Sunday, January 4, from 3:00-5:00 p.m, San Antonio time. Many have asked for this information.

HYPERLINK "http://www.footballuniversity.org" \o "blocked::http://www.footballuniversity.org/" www.footballuniversity.org.

MCHS Athletics Dept. announces website

Check out the Morgan County Athletics Department's new website. Coaches will be adding data and MCHS Athletics Director Chris Trusty reports that news/notes and stories about what's happening in Morgan County athletics will be posted. Go to www.cougarathletics.net

Words Of Wisdom
Education is what survives when what has been learned has been forgotten.
—B.F. Skinner



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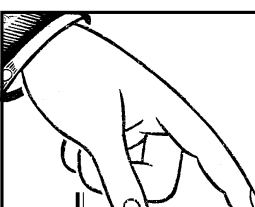
Albert Wells, of Goshen, Ind., was recently inducted into the Goshen Bowling Hall of Fame. He has bowled a 299 twice. Wells, formerly of Ezel, is married to Carol Manning Wells and has one daughter, Petrina Morton. He was honored, along with six other inductees at a banquet at the Greencroft Senior Center in Goshen.

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I pray that each fall as the acorns hit the ground
That high in a tree stand I might be found
May my eyes be alert as I look around
And my heart beat faster at the slightest sound
May my ears still hear each footstep
That the trophy buck will take
And my bow be ever ready
When he makes his last mistake
I pray God that when at last
My hunting days are through
That my life on earth
Like an arrow straight and true
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AREA DEATHS

George C. Manning
George Clifford Manning, 71, of West Liberty, died Monday, Dec. 22, 2008, at U.K. Medical Center, in Lexington.
He was born August 19, 1937, in Morgan County, Kentucky, a son of the late Kelly and Mary Belle Manning.
Mr. Manning resided between Morgan and Montgomery counties his entire life. His career was in road construction as a paver for Hinkle Construction.
Survivors include a step son, Charles Compton (Sandy), of Mount Sterling; a step daughter, Joyce Williams, of Florida; a brother, Hobert Manning (Jean), of Orange Park, Florida; two sis-

ters, Lois Meadows, of Mount Sterling, and Mae Reed (Billy), of Jeffersonville; 1 step grandchild and 1 step great grandchild. Also, special friends, Paul and Bonnie Hager, of West Liberty, Paul Baxter, of Bath County, and Jackie Ruth, of Morehead.
In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a son, Paul George Mannng; two brothers, Roy and Charlie Manning; and a sister, Minnie Meadows.
Cremation at Coffman Mortuary Parlor with a memorial service at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 24, at Jack Ruth's farm, in West Liberty. Arrangements under the direct care of Coffman Mortuary Parlor, Mount Sterling, Ky.

Morgan allotted funds for emergency food and shelter

WASHINGTON, D.C., Dec. 16 — Congressman Harold "Hal" Rogers (KY-05) announced today the release of \$448,436 in combined funding to counties throughout the Fifth Congressional District for the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program (EFS). Of these funds, Morgan County will receive \$11,734.
The EFS program, administered by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), supplements and expands ongoing community efforts to provide shelter, food and supportive services to the nation's hungry, homeless, and people in economic crisis.
"The Christmas season is often a time of gift-giving and abundance, but many in our community are simply struggling to put food on the table, make a mortgage payment, or cover heating costs this winter," stated Rogers. "This federal infusion of funds into our communities will result in families staying together

through the holidays or a veteran making it to a doctor's appointment for medication. This Christmas, we must not forget our many blessings and continue to extend a helping hand to those around us. I am pleased to see FEMA get these funds to our communities before the New Year."
FEMA, through the Emergency Food and Shelter Program, allocates funds nationwide to the neediest areas and ensures fast, targeted response through public-private partnerships. Funds can be used for food, lodging, transportation, rent and utility assistance, and minimal community center facility repairs. Nationwide, \$200 million has been awarded to over 2,500 cities and counties across the country.
Rogers currently serves as a senior member of the House Appropriations Committee with direct oversight of FEMA. Through this role, Rogers supports important initiatives in the Fifth Congressional District.

Backers of clean coal want stimulus to revive project

Dec. 19 — Electric and coal companies want President-elect Barack Obama's stimulus plan to include a restart of their project to build the first commercial-scale generating plant that can capture and store greenhouse gases, "setting up a fight with the anti-coal wing of Mr. Obama's base," Siobhan Hughes reports for *The Wall Street Journal*. "In one sign of its confidence, the **FutureGen Alliance**, along with a development group for Coles County, Ill., last week bought a 400-acre site for \$7 million." *near to city of Mattoon.*
The federal government was to pay most of the project's cost, but pulled out early this year after the estimate nearly doubled, to \$1.8 billion. The Bush administration planned to parcel out the

federal money to smaller-scale projects, but FutureGen and its allies in Congress stoutly opposed such a move. Now, worries about spending have taken a back seat to desires for stimulating the economy, but some Obama advisers may think that the technology isn't ready for a commercial-scale test.
Herb Meeker of Coles County's **Journal-Gazette and Times-Courier** notes that Obama's pick for energy secretary, Nobel Prize-winning physicist Steven Chu, said of clean coal at a March conference on energy futures, "If people think this is the solution, think again. A lot of research is needed."
Some beliect "technology to take the carbon dioxide out of the exhaust from a coal-fired power plant could take 10 to 15 years to develop on a commercial scale, and even then would be costly," Hughes writes.
—Ky. Institute for Rural Journalism

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Wolfe Supt. of Schools steps down

By Candice Burnette
CSMPTPN — Wolfe County Schools Superintendent Steve Butcher will retire from his position effective the end of December. That was the announcement from Butcher's attorney, Tim Crawford, at the December School Board meeting. Butcher, himself, was not present at the meeting.
The announcement came on the heels of a closed executive session by the board to discuss pending litigation in the matter of the superintendent's contract. When the board returned to open session, it was announced that no decision had been taken. Crawford then stood up and addressed the board with the news that Butcher would retire at the end of the month.
Board member Eddie Rose made a motion to accept the retirement offer and board member Susan Cable seconded. The action passed with no opposition.
It was a fairly quiet ending to the term of a superintendent who had, at times, caused emotions to run high.
One of the high points of his career was overseeing the building of the new Campton Elementary School. But that accomplishment was closely followed by a controversy over the disposition of the old Campton Elementary building. Concerned citizens flooded the board meetings demanding the beloved old building be given back to the county instead of going on the auction block. The building was eventually deeded back to the county.
Then several employees filed suit against the board alleging unfair transfers and demotions. The court found against the employees in regards to unfair transfers, but found in favor of the two employees who had claimed they were demoted unfairly. The case was appealed, but the board later dropped out of the case. Butcher, however, wanted to keep his part of the case active.
At this time, no interim superintendent has been appointed and the appointment of a new superintendent will fall to the board and its two newly elected members.

Local student has role in Transy's Madrigal Dinners

LEXINGTON, Ky.—Morgan County High School graduate and Transylvania University junior Joshua Motley recently performed in Transylvania's annual production, "A Medieval Feast," presented by Transylvania's Madrigal Singers and the Medieval Instrumental Ensemble.
Guests took part in a yuletide feast in an atmosphere of her-

aldry, pageantry and song and were treated to a performance of the Mummer's Play, which was a feature of medieval gatherings. The evening's feast was fit for royalty, featuring carved roast beef, roasted vegetables, breads, dessert, coffee and teas.
The performance was directed by Transylvania professor of music and director of choral ensembles, Gary L. Anderson.
Motley played both the Lord of Misrule and Sir George during the performance. An anthropology major at the university, he is the son of Gregory and Ellen

Motley of Ezel.
Transylvania, founded in 1780, is the nation's sixteenth oldest institution of higher learning and is consistently ranked in national publications as one of the top liberal arts colleges in the country.
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